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DISMISSAL OF LEE NICHOLSON VOTED DOWN BY COUNCIL

Suspension of Fireman in Force, Says Presidnt Friel.

SHARP WORDS PASS AT SESSION

Member of Department Has a Job but He Can't Go to Work, is Technical Point Raised After Much Argument; Policeman Rulli Remains Suspended

Fireman Lee Nicholson was not dismissed from the Fire Department at the Council meeting last night. He wasn't reinstated, either, and according to President Frank Friel, the suspension enforced by the Public Safety Committee is still in effect. Nicholson reported for work this morning and was told that his layoff had not terminated. Councilmen engaged in acrimonious discussion over the Nicholson matter.

The motion to dismiss the fireman was lost by a vote of 8 to 7, but Nicholson's friends failed to push their advantage by voting to have the suspension lifted.

The motion of Councilman T. J. Brennan, of the Second Ward, for the dismissal of Nicholson for disturbing the peace and disobeying orders, was put after an argument. So similar were the choruses of "ayes" and "nays" that a standing vote was ordered. It showed the following:

Against dismissal—B. L. Dern, W. A. Bishop, S. E. Brant, A. S. Gilmore, J. F. Keesser, William McCormick, J. F. Reynolds, Lariner Stillwagon.

For dismissal—T. J. Brennan, Owen Burns, P. M. Buttermore, Frank Friel, C. W. Haddock, S. P. Hay, C. M. Stoner.

Not voting—W. P. Clark, S. H. Decker, F. H. Harmening, H. C. Hays, E. L. Hetzel.

Councilman Solomon Lapley, of the Seventh Ward, was not present.

Nicholson's case proved the most important matter of the session and provided the liveliest period in the hour and a half taken up by Council's business, which included a decision to continue the suspension of Policeman P. M. Rulli, charged with embezzlement, for further investigation, a short cut on the proposed raise in firemen's wages, action for paving several streets, and the discussion of sewers, sidewalks and minor matters.

The fight began when Chairman C. M. Stoner, of the Public Safety Committee, announced Nicholson's dismissal.

"I don't think it was right to dismiss Nicholson from the Fire Department," declared Councilman Brant, jumping to his feet. "I passed the hose house on the day before Nicholson was dismissed, and he was the only man on the job."

Councilman Brennan moved that Nicholson be dismissed.

"This is news to some of us," said Councilman McCormick.

"It is my opinion that Nicholson is just as good, if not a little better, than some of the other firemen," Councilman Gilmore broke in. "I recommend that Nicholson be reinstated."

"The matter of his dismissal is now up," reminded Brennan.

Again declaring that Nicholson's dismissal by the Public Safety Committee was "news" to him, Councilman McCormick rose from his chair and pressed an inquiry. Several Councilmen informed him that Nicholson had been drunk and had refused to obey Chief Haddock's orders.

"The man doesn't deny being drunk," averred McCormick, referring to Nicholson. "But what about your other firemen being drunk?"

"I call him to order," shouted Brennan.

"I am in order," cried McCormick.

"He is not," reiterated Brennan.

"This is for Nicholson being drunk," insisted McCormick.

"It is not for his being drunk," cut in President Friel.

"We have the fireman here. Let him speak," McCormick suggested.

"I object," interposed Brennan.

Councilman Gilmore then said he was under the impression that Nicholson's suspension had been only temporary. McCormick rose once more to say something.

"Mr. McCormick, you have spoken twice. I am going to stop this," declared President Friel.

"I have brought up the drinking—the drinking of all of them," persisted McCormick.

Chairman Stoner then announced that other firemen had informed his committee that they would quit upon Nicholson's retention, and asked Council if the loss of five from the Fire Department could be afforded. Councilman Buttermore held that Chief Haddock's instructions should be obeyed by the firemen. The vote followed.

President Friel, noting the result, said that Nicholson, although reinstated, should resign, as he had been before the Public Safety Committee two times for insubordination. Friel maintained that through such a course avid harmony be kept. Nicholson made no statement.

A $5 raise for each fireman was proposed then by Chairman Stoner, and the motion seconded by Councilman Brant. President Friel said a petition from the firemen should be presented. Councilman Decker said the action would seem as if Council wanted to force the raise upon the men and suggested awaiting a petition.

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NEW CEMETERY, FRICK COMPANY'S GIFT, NOW OPEN NEAR SCOTTDALE.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 18.—Undertaker William Ferguson made the first burial in a new cemetery in this community on Tuesday. Recently the H. C. Frick Coke Company donated for a cemetery, ten acres of ground to the St. Joseph's Polish congregation of Everson. The cemetery lies over from Brown street at the Valley and faces Walnut Hill. The first body to be buried there was that of Mrs. Valero Szgannaski of Everson, who leaves a husband and several children.

SCHOOL DIRCTORS OF THE COUNTY BEGIN CONVENTION

Committees Are Named and Reports Made at the Session at Uniontown Today.

The annual convention of the directors of the Fayette county schools opened this morning in Uniontown, with directors from all over the county in attendance. The following committees were appointed: Resolutions, G. L. Moore, W. J. Johnson and S. C. Fast; Election, Frank C. Rush, John H. Frasher and M. Lee Titus; Auditing, J. C. Willson, G. W. Housaker and A. M. McClelland.

The election of officers will take place tomorrow. Frank C. Rush, a delegate to the seventeenth annual State convention in Harrisburg, gave a report of the convention. George L. Moore, Dr. J. G. Cox and W. J. Johnson gave reports of the annual convention of the State Educational Association in Philadelphia to which they were delegates.

J. C. Willson of North Union township spoke on "Evil Effects Arising from the Crowded Condition of Public Schools." Dr. A. S. Hagan of Uniontown read a paper on "Disinfecting Schools." This afternoon the directors are attending the teachers' institute.

COAL MINING INSTITUTE BEGINS WINTER MEETING

Good Attendance is Present at the Opening Session Today in Pittsburg.

The winter meeting of the Coal Mining Institute of America was opened at 10 o'clock this morning in the School of Mines building, University of Pittsburg. Chancellor S. B. McCormick, of the University, delivered the address of welcome. Vice President W. E. Fohl, of the Institute presided. A goodly sized body of mine owners, operators and others interested in mining was present.

Mining improvements were the keynote and the program was as follows: Address, A. W. Calloway; paper, Eugene B. Wilson, editor of "Mines and Minerals," Scranton; "History of the Coal Mining Institute of America," William Seddon, Brownsville.

"Tobring River Coal Fields" will be a paper by Professor H. D. Palister, of Pennsylvania State College, this afternoon. The paper was prepared by Dr. W. R. Crane, of the State College faculty, who has been in Alaska since June.

CONNELLSVILLE BRAKEMAN IS ARRESTED FOR KIDNAPING

Further Charges May be Preferred at Instance of Woman Who Prosecutes.

George Phillips, a brakeman on the Connellsville division of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, residing here, is under arrest in Cumberland charged with kidnapping the six-year-old daughter of Mrs. Pearl Hoff. Mrs. Hoff makes the further charge that Phillips induced her to come to Connellsville on the pretense of taking charge of a boarding house, but instead she was taken elsewhere and held a prisoner. She says she escaped through a window and returned to Cumberland to prosecute him.

Phillips is said to be a friend of Ralph Hoff, a Baltimore & Ohio brakeman, husband of the woman. Violation of the Mann "white slave" act is said to be one of the charges which Mrs. Hoff may prefer against Phillips, as a result of her trip to Connellsville.

UNIONTOWN POLICEMAN KILLS HIMSELF; SUFFERING BLAMED

Severe Headache Causes Harry Woods to Commit Suicide by Shooting Early Today.

Special to The Courier.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 18.—Harry Woods, 31 years old, a member of the Uniontown Police force, committed suicide this morning by shooting himself behind the ear at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Woods, on the Pittsburg road. He lived but a few minutes after firing the shot.

Woods, on night duty for the past week, did not report last night. He sent a report that he was suffering from a terrible headache and said he could not stand the strain much longer. Medicine was given him throughout the night. Then he took his revolver, loaned by a brother on starting on the police force, and fired the bullet into his head. He is survived by four brothers and five sisters in addition to his parents.

Wants Early Report.

State Highway Commissioner F. M. Bixelow is sending to supervisors calls for reports of work. Those who fail to file them before January 1 will lose their share of the State appropriation.

MINERS' SCHOOL IS PLANNED HERE BY THE Y. M. C. A.

University of Pittsburg Offers Services of Instructor.

TO PREPARE FOR EXAMINATIONS

Men in the Pits Will be Given Opportunity to Qualify at the State Tests to be Held in April, if They Desire; First Aid Lessons for Boys.

If plans now being made by the State and local Y. M. C. A. work out, men who are preparing for the mine foreman's examination next April will have a better opportunity to secure the needed knowledge than has yet been presented to the Connellsville region. Recently the dean of the University of Pittsburg offered the services of a member of the faculty of the School of Mining of that institution as instructor to any class of mining men within a reasonable distance of Pittsburg that would pay the traveling expenses of such an instructor. T. B. Dilts, State Mining Work Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. was invited to organize the classes and make the necessary arrangements. Mr. Dilts spent yesterday afternoon in Connellsville in consultation with Secretary Baer and mining men with reference to the organization of a class here.

The Y. M. C. A. will furnish the meeting place and Secretary Baer has already taken up the task of securing the necessary number of students. Ten or more will be necessary to make the class self-supporting. Each student will pay 25 cents a night, the class meeting one night a week during the months of January, February and March, finishing the course of studies before the April examinations.

If five classes can be organized in the bituminous region the University will add an extra man to its faculty who will give all his time to this work.

The students will be under necessity of buying only such pamphlets as are used in the course.

The three principal lines of educational work promoted by the Y. M. C. A. among mining men are scientific mining, first aid to the injured, and English for foreign-speaking men. So successful has the first aid instruction been that already during the present year 59 mine workers in this section have passed the examinations given under the joint auspices of the National Red Cross and the International Y. M. C. A., receiving diplomas from President Taft, and 108 more will take the examination next Friday. The men who will try for the diploma from the President next Friday have all received their training through the Association and hail from Uniontown, West Newton, Greensburg, Youkon, Hilton, Charlize, Wendel, South Fork, Pittston, Hastings, Barnesboro and Gallitzin.

First aid to the injured will also be taught to boys of Connellsville by Secretary Baer each Saturday afternoon from this on. Begining next Saturday morning from 9 to 10 o'clock a demonstration of what to do and what not to do while waiting for the doctor in the case of a broken leg will be given.

From ten to eleven the boys who attend the first aid class will be given the gym floor for games, and then until 11.30 they will bathe and swim. The first aid lessons will be given in lectures and demonstrations by the secretary, and will, during the winter months, give the boys who attend all the knowledge of first aid they need for ordinary emergencies. Many lives are needlessly sacrificed each year through the lack of knowledge of the simplest elements of first aid, things every boy should know.

LITTLE GIRL FRIGHTFULLY BURNED; DIES FROM HURTS

Clothing Ignites From Open Gas Stove and Fatal Injuries Are the Result.

Special to The Courier.

UNIONTOWN, Dec. 18.—Lorna O'Bryon, the 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles O'Bryon, of Fayette street, was fatally burned when her clothing ignited from a gas fire in her home this morning. Her dresses were consumed and her face and body terribly seared by the flames. She died later.

The little girl was standing before a gas stove when her skirt caught. She ran screaming through the house and struggled to escape from those who tried to smother out the blaze. Three physicians were called to attend her.

Five Face Burgess.

Five men faced Burgess J. L. Evans in police court this morning. Three were given 48 hours each for drunkenness, and one 72 hours for drunkenness and disorderly conduct. One was discharged.

Mills Are Operatig.

Although the railroad men walked out yesterday, the mills of the Cambria Steel Company at Johnstown are operating without interruption today. The employes are not organized.

New Cars Ready.

Two new side entrance cars will be placed in service on the West Penn not later than next week, making six of this type on the system.

ANOTHER BLOW AT THE HIGH COST OF LIVING; XMAS TREES CHEAPER.

Another blow has been struck at the high cost of living. Christmas trees are cheaper this year than last. The pines and cedars are making their appearance and are being quoted at 50 cents for a moderate sized tree. Smaller ones can be purchased for a quarter.

Holly, Christmas greens, baskets and other ornaments are now on the market.

SEEKS OPTIONS ON FREEPORT COAL IN TYRONE TOWNSHIP

Effort is Being Made to Take Up 800 Acres for Development; $50 an Acre Offered.

Interest is rapidly growing in the Freeport coal vein in Lower Tyrone township, an interest greatly increased by the activity in development since Mrs. Sarah B. Cochran of Dawson took over the William Cochran coal lands in that section and will open them up at once.

Parties are now reported taking options on the purchase of coal in Lower Tyrone township, which abuts on the Cochran holdings. Fifty dollars an acre is being offered, it is said, and some of the farmers have already signed the papers to transfer their lands for this price.

Jack Frencha, a resident of that locality, is working on the options, and it is said these are taken with the view of buying the coal and premising cash for it the first of March.

It is said that an endeavor is being made to take up 800 acres of coal in the neighborhood of Tyrone Church and between there and Chaintown. Mrs. Cochran's representatives are hard at work getting the electric tramway built up from the Baltimore & Ohio railroad to the mines which have been opened in the neighborhood of Chaintown.

A dozen teams are at work grading the roadway, and it will be completed in a short time, it is expected. Between the railroad and the mines there is great activity and it is anticipated that within a comparative short time the work of shipping market coal will be commenced.

WESTERN MARYLAND MAKES IMPROVEMENTS TO SYSTEM

First Step in Low Grade Line to Baltimore Has Been Projected Near Hagerstown.

The Western Maryland Railroad Company will build a low grade line from Williamsport, a point near Hagerstown, on the Potomac river, to near Westminster. That the yards at Williamsport will be enlarged and the line between that place and Hancock will be double-tracked, was stated.

The Western Maryland in building the low grade from Williamsport is reaching out for a low grade into Baltimore. Surveys made several years ago demonstrated the practicability of such a project. It is expected Williamsport and probably Frederick, Md., will be made division points. The winter's work at Williamsport will embrace the construction of 10 or 15 miles additional storage tracks.

DIES IN KANSAS.

Former Resident of Dawson Went West Years Ago.

Word was received at Dawson yesterday of the death of Boyd W. Huston, 72 years old, of Johnson county, Kansas, which occurred Monday. Mr. Huston was born and reared on the old Huston farm at Dawson and was a son of the late William and Rebecca Huston who were among the most prominent and widely known residents of Dawson. He went west years ago.

He married Miss Clara Barnhouse of Dawson and about 40 years ago they left for Kansas and settled on a farm near Olathe. Mr. Huston paid his last visit to his former home about four years ago. His many relatives and wide circle of friends in Fayette county will regret to learn of his death.

In addition to his widow he is survived by the following children: Frank, Harry, Bertha and Jesse at home, and Etta, who is married and resides in Johnson county, Kansas. One brother, Eli Huston of Dawson, and four sisters, Mrs. Anna Cochran Jenkins of Virginia; Mrs. Rebecca Strickler, Mrs. Emma Galley of Vanderbilt, and Mrs. Rachel Severn of Dawson also survive. He was an uncle of Mrs. Ella Cook of Connellsville.

Sells Home; Will Move.

R. G. Graham, a Baltimore & Ohio engineer running out of Connellsville, has disposed of his property on East Patterson avenue, and about the middle of January, accompanied by Mrs. Graham, he will leave for Johnstown to reside. He has been given a run out of Johnstown.

THE WEATHER.

Rain or snow tonight or Thursday; Thursday colder, is the noon weather forecast.

Temperature Record.

	1912	1911
Maximum	57	36
Minimum	46	35
Mean	52	

The Yough river stood at 2.10 last night and this morning.

CHURCHES BUSY PREPARING FOR XMAS PROGRAMS

Special Services Are Being Arranged by Many Congregations.

CANTATAS WILL BE THE RULE

Lutherans Arrange a Carol Service on Next Sunday Evening; Special Program by Methodists; Keen Interest is Manifested in Behalf of Poor.

Elaborate Christmas programs will be rendered by Sunday schools and choirs of nearly all the churches this year. The children and older members of the Sunday schools have been rehearsing for several weeks and the result promises to be of more than usual interest. Appropriate musical and literary selections will have a place. The churches will be decorated in Christmas greens and cut flowers. There will also come the annual treat for the Sunday schools.

On next Sunday night a Christmas carol service will be held in the Trinity Lutheran Church. On Sunday morning a Christmas program will be rendered by the Sunday school of the Methodist Protestant Church, when the annual treat will be distributed.

Instead of a Christmas cantata, a selected program will be carried out on Caristmas night by the members of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday school. On the same night the First Baptist Sunday school will give a cantata. A similar entertainment will be given by the Trinity Reformed Sunday school.

It is likely that the Methodist Protestant Sunday school will give a Christmas program on Christmas night.

On account of the church undergoing improvements it is not likely that Christmas exercises will be held by the Sunday school of the United Brethren Sunday school.

In connection with the Christmas exercises, the different Sunday schools have not overlooked the poor. Never before has the interest in the wants of the poor and needy of Connellsville been as great as this year. Christmas stockings will be filled by several of the different church societies and will be turned over to Captain and Mrs J. J. Bumford of the Salvation Army for distribution.

The Dorcas Society and the Inasmuch Circle, organized charitable societies, have already done much good, especially among the aged and sick, and it is their aim to brighten many homes on Christmas day. Flowers will be sent to the sick and toys to the poor children. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is also ready to do any relief work that is needed.

RELIGIOUS CENSUS WILL BE TAKEN; SUPERVISORS NAMED

Various Churches Assign Men to Have Charge of the Canvass of This Section.

The movement to take the religious census of Connellsville and vicinity has been resumed and S. B. Henry and A. H. Long have been reappointed to complete arrangements. The plan is to divide the town into districts, making each ward a district with several additional districts in the suburbs. Each church is to furnish a supervisor and a certain number of visitors.

The following supervisors have been chosen by the different churches, First Baptist church, E. B. Martin; Methodist Episcopal church, C. H. Whiteley; First Presbyterian church, J. A. Armstrong; Methodist Portestant church, E. M. Penn; Christian church, S. M. James; Trinity Lutheran church, Grover Leapline; United Brethren church, George Showman; United Presbyterian church, F. R. Yoder.

The visitors were apportioned as follows: Methodist Episcopal, 30, Methodist Protestant, 20; First Presbyterian, 25; Trinity Lutheran, 30; Christian, 25; First Baptist, 25; United Brethren, 15; United Presbyterian, 15; Trinity Reformed, 10; South Connellsville Evangelical church, 10.

The supervisors will meet the committee at the Y. M. C. A. tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock at which time they will choose their respective districts and look over a map of the town to decide how many visitors will be needed in each district. The time set for the canvass is Friday afternoon, December 27 from 2 until 5 o'clock.

SANTA CLAUS WILL VISIT STORES OF UNION SUPPLY

At all 63 He Will Appear on Christmas Morning to Distribute Candies and Toys.

At each of the 63 stores of the Union Supply Company in Fayette, Westmoreland and Allegheny counties, Santa Claus will appear on Christmas morning and will distribute candy and toys among the children.

In the past seven years the company Santa Claus has gladdened the hearts of many children. The Christmas treat was tarted by General Superintendent John Lynch of the Union Supply Company.

Clearing Away Wreck.

The crews clearing the wreckage of the runaway freight near Glencoe placed one engine on a track and took it to Cumberland yesterday afternoon. Railroad officials expect to have all the tracks open by tonight.

VETERAN COKE SHIPPER IS ILL, FIRST TIME IN 32 YEARS; GOES HARD.

SCOTTDALE, Dec. 18.—V. W. Yahner, a well known citizen and a shipper in the offices of the H. C. Frick Coke Company, where he is a veteran, is able to be about, after a few weeks' illness from grip and rheumatism. He had been away on a hunting trip and took ill after coming home. Mr. Yahner has been a steady worker and says that this is the first instance in 32 years that he has been laid up and it went tough with him. His many friends are glad to see him on the streets again.

NEW LEGISLATION IS URGED UPON PENNSYLVANIA SOLONS

State Federation of Labor, Conservationists and Others Have Suggestions to Make.

The Committee on Conservation of Agricultural Resources of the State yesterday at Herrisburg adopted resolutions favoring a State Country Life Commission and the following:

Instruction of farmers by county demonstrators, as is now being done by the United States Department of Agriculture; establishment of rural, graded and high schools, with adequate space for playgrounds and their use as social centers; improvement of roads; rural credit system; extension of postal savings system through rural carriers; abolition of the rural tax collector and the establishment of a system of paying taxes direct to the county treasurer; the establishment of rural co-operative stores, where farmers may sell their crops and buy what they need.

The Legislative Committee of the State Federation of Labor recommended railroad and miners' bills. The railroad bills provide for semi-monthly pay days and that only men of three months' experience may be employed in responsible positions.

The measure urged by miners were: Allowing men over 65 to be eligible for mine inspector; amending certificate law; providing for branding cars; prohibiting use of electric cutting machines in mines, and prohibiting cutting away mine pillars.

EGG MARKET BREAKS; PRICE COMING DOWN: 25 CENTS NOW

Some Merchants are Charging 30c for Storage Variety but Hen Fruit in on Decline

The Connellsville egg market broke today—the market, not the eggs. One firm is advertising storage eggs of high degree at 25 cents a dozen. Others are charging 30 cents, but with the collapse of the Pittsburg market it is likely that these figures will be revised.

Eggs in Pittsburg were quoted at 19 cents a dozen yesterday, the lowest in years. It is said that the cold storage firms are unloading vast stores on the market that had been held to force prices upward. The Philadelphia Housekeepers' League started things moving by selling eggs at 24 cents a dozen. Now Chicago women are selling them at 24 cents and New York merchants ask 25. Boston alone is still paying fancy prices.

Between women going into the egg business and the government getting after the Elgin butter board and cold storage firms, candled eggs are coming from retirement in numbers which threaten a collapse of the market. Hen fruit promises to lose its winter berth in the luxury class.

WESTERN MARYLAND HAS SMALLPOX SCARE; U. S. ACTS

Marine Hospital Service Sending Men to Territory Where Cases Are Reported.

United Press Telegram.

CUMBERLAND, Dec. 18.—With smallpox prevailing to an alarming extend at Feldmont and Martinsburg, W. Va., and Westernport and Laconing, Md., the health authorities here today notified the Marine Hospital service at Washington, D. C., to send men to this place to make an inspection.

Guards will be placed at the different railroad stations here to prevent introduction of the disease. The situation is such that the public schools in many of the towns in this county have been closed and other public places will be ordered closed.

BIG RAIL ORDER.

Pittsburg District to Profit by Southern Pacific Contract.

The Edgar Thomson works at Braddock and independent mills of the Pittsburg district will get a goodly portion of an order for 110,000 tons of steel rails, given out yesterday by the Southern Pacific Company. This order brings the total taken by the Harriman lines to nearly 200,000 tons.

Other big railroad equipment contracts announced include 5,000 steel under frames for cars for the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul; 2,000 box and hopper cars for the New York Central, and 35 steel pasenger cars for the Detorit, Lackawanna & Western.

Kimball Gets State Job.

W. Ross Kimball of Dunbar has been appointed to a place in the office of Auditor General A. E. Sisson at Harrisburg. He has resigned his position as bookkeeper at the Second National Bank.

Dynamite Trial Closes.

Arguments are being made in the dynamiting trial at Indinapolis.

CHRISTMAS CHEER INVADES SCHOOLS; VACATIONS BEGIN

Holiday Program Carried Out in Grade Rooms Today.

SANTA CLAUS MAKES ROUNDS

Christmas Trees, Appropriate Exercises and Exchange of Gifts Marks Final Session Before Youngsters Leave for Their Two Weeks' Rest.

Nearly 2,300 pupils of the public schools this afternoon laid aside their books for the annual Christmas vacation beginning tomorrow and lasting until Monday morning, January 6. For the first time in several years New Year will be observed as a holiday in the schools.

In the High School the regular exercises were carried out, while in all the grade rooms of the different wards the spirit of Christmas prevailed. There was a Christmas tree in Room No. 7, Fourth Ward school, taught by Miss Nelle Stillwagon, and in practically all other rooms in the same building appropriate programs were carried out. Many of the children exchanged presents.

In the South Side school a large Christmas tree, attractively decorated, was stationed in the main hall and gifts were given all the pupils. E. C. Miner is principal.

A Christmas tree was erected in the hall of the Second Ward school of which S. B. Henry is principal, and Santa Claus distributed pop corn balls among the pupils. In Room No. 2 of the same ward, taught by Miss Viletta Howard, there was a Christmas pie made, from which each pupil drew a gift. Miss Gladys Buttermore teacher of Room No. 5 of the same school, had a Christmas tree and treat for her pupils.

The children of the Third Ward school, of which Lyman K. Miller is principal, drew Christmas remembrances from a large Christmas tree. Programs consisting of musical and literary selections were carried out.

The children of the Greenwood schools made Christmas boxes, which were filled with candy and nuts by the teachers, Miss Izetta Landenberger, Miss Eva Wilson and Miss Norma Woodall. The boxes were given to the pupils. This afternoon an electric train was placed in the vacant room for the entertainment of the pupils of the school. This evening Miss Beulah Gilmore, teacher of Room No. 6, will give a party for her pupils at her home in East Fairview avenue in celebration of the winning of a prize in the Hallowe'en parade.

The regular studies were carried out in the Fourth and Seventh street school buildings, West Side.

Several teachers will attend the institute in session in Uniontown, the remaining two days. The High School teachers residing out of town will spend their holidays at their respective homes. Wilmer Searight will leave Saturday for his home at New Wilmington, Pa. H. W. Weeter will spend his vacation at his home at Fredell, Pa., and F. P. Cheesman will leave tonight for his home at Slippery Rock. Stewart Griffin also will leave this evening for his home in Jackson, Mich. He also expects to visit in Anne Arbor. Miss Mary Piersol leaves tomorrow for Believernon to spend the vacation with her parents. Miss Jennie E. Weaver will leave for her home at Gloversville, N. Y., while Miss Mabel Stout will spend her vacation at her home in Williamsport and will also visit in Shamokin. Miss Helen Carroll leaves Saturday for her home in Huntingdon, Pa., to remain over Christmas with her mother. Miss Jessamine Delaven will leave this evening for her home in Coraopolis.

Miss Rebecca Truxal left this afternoon for her home at Meyersdale. Miss Jean Armstrong expects to visit in Pittsburg and will attend a luncheon to be given in that city by students of the Woman's College at Frederick, Md. Miss Frances Freed and C. D. Baer will spend their holidays at their home here.

Miss Lila Charnley leaves tonight for her home in Lake View, Mich. She will also visit in Big Rapids, Mich.

Principal B. B. Smith and family expect to spend Christmas with relatives in Bellevernon and on Christmas night Principal Smith and Superintendent of Schools S. P. Ashe will leave for Harrisburg to attend the annual convention of the State Educational Association.

MRS SCHROYER DEAD.

Well Known Stewart Township Woman Passes Away.

Mrs. Harriet May Schroyer, 35 years old, wife of Samuel Schroyer of Stewart township, died Monday evening at her home at Maple Summit. Funeral services were held this afternoon from the Maple Summit church.

Mrs. Schroyer was a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. U. H. May of Mill Run, who with her husband, two children, and the following brothers survive: Attorney H. G. May, John W., Homer D., of Connellsville, and William of Mill Run.

No Funeral Arranged.

No arrangements have been made for the burial of Joseph Samuels who fell down a flight of stairs Monday night, breaking his neck. No word has been received from relatives of Samuels regarding his burial.

SOCIETY.

Officers Are Installed.

At the regular meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Order of Railway Conductors, held in Odd Fellows hall this afternoon, Mrs. Charles Berkey was installed as second Member of the Executive Committee, and Mrs. E. E. Coleman as Junior Sister. The other officers installed at a recent meeting are as follows: President, Mrs. W. T. Shuman; Vice President, Mrs. S. M. Hebb; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. G. E. Leonard; Insurance Agent, Mrs. Carrie Bittner; Senior Sister, Mrs. David Bissel; Third Member of the Executive Committee, Mrs. Ida Coughenour. A guard will be elected to succeed Mrs. Sarah Dull, who removed from Connellsville.

Invitations for Ball.

Invitations have been issued for the fifth annual military ball of Company D, Tenth Regiment Infantry, National Guard of Pennsylvania, to be given New Year's eve Tuesday evening, December 31, in the Armory, under the committeeship of Captain A. R. Kidd, First Lieutenant J. C. Herwick, Second Lieutenant J. Donald Reid, Sergeant Roy Miller, Sergeant J. E. Frost, Sergeant Robert Morton, and Corporal Montgomery Dilworth. The grand march will be held at 8:30 o'clock.

Bridge at Luncheon.

Mrs. William F. Scisson is hostess at a bridge luncheon this afternoon at her home in West Peach street in honor of Miss Blanche Madigan, a bride-elect of January.

PERSONAL.

Superintendent of Schools S. P. Ashe and Principal L. E. Smith attended the teachers' institute in Uniontown yesterday. Tomorrow they will attend the annual teachers' institute of Westmoreland county, in session in Greensburg.

Toy Fishes, 10c to $2.00. Artman's.—Adv.

Ask the boy how he would like a membership in the Y. M. C. A. for a Christmas present.—Adv.

Miss Bertha Beals of Robbins street has typhoid fever instead of James Cook, as reported yesterday.

Toy Tables, all kinds, 10c to $7.50. Artman's.—Adv.

If you cannot afford a new suit, gown or coat for the holiday season, let the Goodwin Company cleanse the old one and make it look like new.—Adv.

Supervising Principal R. K. Smith of the Dunbar township schools attended the teachers' institute in Uniontown yesterday.

Toy Pianos, 10c to $3.75. Artman's.—Adv.

A wife takes pride in a well dressed husband. We'll dress you well for $18. Dave Cohen, tailor.—Adv.

Mrs. Samuel Fairchilds of Scottdale was shopping in town yesterday.

Xmas Trees, 10c to $5.00. Big line of ornaments of all kinds. Artman's.—Adv.

Call the Goodwin Company and let them cleanse or press your clothes this week for the holidays.—Adv.

Miss Vella Decker, a West Penn stenographer, will leave Saturday for Philadelphia to spend Christmas with relatives.

Paper Waste Baskets, 10c. Artman's.—Adv.

Ask the boy how he would like a membership in the Y. M. C. A. for a Christmas present.—Adv.

Miss Marina Paton of Somerset visited Connellsville friends yesterday.

Children's Chairs, 25c to $2.00. Artman's.—Adv.

Ask the boy how he would like a membership in the Y. M. C. A. for a Christmas present.—Adv.

Special. All willow 25c and 50c Doll Carts, 19c and 39c. Artman's.—Adv.

Attorney H. George May was called to Maple Summit yesterday afternoon by the death of his sister, Mrs. Harriet Schriver.

Tree Ornaments and tree holders, candles and candle holders. Artman's.—Adv.

Deputy Revenue Collector J. M. Murtland of Lower Tyrone township was in town this morning on his way to Uniontown.

Fine China Salads and Cake Plates one-fourth off. Artman's.—Adv.

Attorney James Sheppard of Morgantown was calling on Connellsville friends yesterday.

Beautiful Vases, 10c to $4.00. Artman's.—Adv.

Candies and Cakes, 10c pound. Artman's.—Adv.

THE GIFT OF GIFTS

One That Benefits the Recipient All His Life.

Connellsville stores are filled with lovely things for Christmas and there is no need to go away from home to purchase useful, beautiful and appropriate gift articles. It is equally true, when you are in the shopping district, that just a step will take you to the First National Bank where you can secure the best of all gifts for the children—savings accounts. They can be opened with $1 or more in the names of any little friends or relatives you wish to remember with something of real, practical lasting value. The First National pays 4% interest and is one of the oldest and strongest banks in Western Pennsylvania.—Advertisement.

Children Operated On.

Eleanor Kohler, little daughter of Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Kohler, of South Connellsville, and Donald Larue of Johnston avenue were operated on for throat and nose trouble this morning at the Cottage State hospital. John Campbell of Scottdale was discharged from the hospital today.

Marry in Uniontown.

Miss Anna B. Stover, of Nicola, a teach in Springfield township, and Calvin Klink, of Somerset, were married yesterday morning at the Baptist parsonage in Uniontown by the pastor, the Rev. J. S. Bromley. The bride came to Uniontown to attend the teachers Institute.

Is Operated Upon.

Mrs. B. S. Matthews of South Connellsville was operated upon yesterday at the South Side Private hospital and today was resting easily.

Makes Home Baking Easy and Profitable

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

Adds Healthful Qualities to the Food

The only Baking Powder made from Royal Grape Cream of Tartar.

ABSOLUTELY PURE

No Lime Phosphates No Alum

"I Can't Afford It."

It's a great thing for a young man to be able to say "I can't afford it," when asked to indulge in some pleasure beyond his means. Many young men in Connellsville have learned to say it since they joined the Fayette Building & Loan Association and adopted a systematic plan of saving. They are not only getting money ahead but they are acquiring something even more valuable, the courage to say "No." Stock in the Fayette pays from 6 to 8%. See George W. Stauffer, Secretary, First National Bank.—Advertisement.

Social Meeting

A social meeting of the officers and directors of the People's Building & Loan and the Connellsville Building & Loan Associations will be held at the residence of S. R. Goldsmith, South Pittsburg street, tomorrow evening.

Grading for Sidewalks.

The placing of stakes for sidewalk grades on Gibson avenue between Main and Park streets, about 300 feet in length, was begun this morning by Borough Engineer Hirst. The contract for the work has been let to Bettler & Enos.

Pays Costs for Disorder.

A foreigner, arrested for drunkenness and disorderly conduct on a trolley car between Connellsville and Moyer, was let off on payment of costs to Justice of the Peace Lawrence Donegan this morning.

Want Delaney Fired.

Charges were preferred against State Factory Inspector John C. Delaney today before Governor Tener. Delaney's dismissal is asked on the ground that child labor laws have not been enforced.

Try our classified advertisements.

DISMISSAL OF LEE NICHOLSON VOTED DOWN BY COUNCIL.

(Continued from Page One.)

"You might as well say they are in a penitentiary over there—24 hours out of each day," Stoner shot back. "It's only right to give the raise."

Councilman Kooser said the firemen should bring a petition and not on Council's suggestion. Stoner held that they were the borough's employes and had come before their head for the raise.

"I am at the head of the Public Safety Committee," declared Stoner. "They came to me."

"Any other business?" inquired President Friel, turning away.

The short, sharp discussion of Policeman Rulli's suspension followed its announcement by Chairman E. U. Hetzel, of the Police Committee. Friel opened the discussion by saying the man should be proved guilty first.

Hetzel replied that almost a score of citizens had urged the suspension. Councilman Gilmore claimed the suspension should not have been until more definite proof was submitted.

That Rulli's case should not come before Council was the claim of Councilman Buttermore. He maintained the officer had not violated any borough ordinance or police law and that the suspension should not have been ordered.

The Police Committee should have waited for proof of guilt, was President Friel's comment, and Buttermore then cited the case of several attorneys, asking if they had been suspended from law practice when under the same charge as Rulli. Brennan said if the charges against Rulli were substantiated, he would not be fit for a public officer, but held that substantiation should come before suspension.

That the taxpayers demanded Rulli's suspension, was Hetzel's claim, and Councilman McCormick backed him up with the expressed belief that he did right. Brennan then suggested that Rulli be kept under suspension until further investigation. The discussion ended.

Chairman Hays of the Finance Committee, made a motion that the assessments upon property holders for paving Church Place between Prospect street and Mountain alley, and on Ashman avenue, as fixed by the Borough Solicitor, be adopted and that the property owners be compelled to pay the attorney's fee and 5 per cent for failure to pay after a designated time. The motion was passed.

Upon instruction by Acting Chairman Clark of the Street Committee, Council voted to cover Snyder street with new stone after it is graded. A motion for a grade for sidewalks on Marietta avenue bewteen Eighth and Ninth streets was passed.

Councilman Lepley's failure to appear prevented his taking up of the storm sewer question on Fifth street. He had given notice that he wanted Council's former action in the matter rescinded. Clark said the committee would continue the work of placing a 10-inch sewer.

That the Hogg heirs will file a plot of the East Side streets with the courts within the next two weeks and that a dedication deed will be given to the borough, after which it will be up to the borough to assume jurisdiction, was announced by Borough Solicitor Fred D. Munson.

In the failure of the Pittsburg & Lake Erie Railroad Company to rush promised paving in the West Side, President Friel suggested that they be given 15 days to start the work, or notice be given the borough to do the work and add 20 per cent to the cost. Gilmore made the motion and was seconded by Brant. It passed.

A petition from 44 residents in the vicinity of Fairview avenue and Prospect street for an arc light was referred to the Light Committee.

Ordinances for the paving of Baldwin and Carnegie avenues at Will's Road, Race street between Green and Davidson avenue, and Morrel lavenue between Eighth and Duke streets were adopted and ordered advertised.

Upon motion of Chairman Stoner of the Public Safety Committee, Council decided to spend $15 for a new cellar nozzle for their fire equipment.

Councilman Brennan brought up an old suit of the borough against W. D. McGinnis for the removal of the Second Ward hose house and recovery of $78.63. He said McGinnis wanted the matter settled, and Borough Solicitor Munson said he would look it up.

Chairman Harmening of the Sewer Committee, announced the postponement in work on the proposed South Arch street sewer. A motion to lower at the borough's expense the Rankin sewer on Sycamore street was passed. A recommendation to take over the Hill sewer on Vine street when the borough is able, was passed. A request from S. B. Dull for a sewer on Greeley alley was referred to the Sewer Committee.

Upon motion of Councilman Hay, Council decided to pay the borough employes before Christmas.

The matter of remodeling the stable for the fire department horses was brought up by Councilman Brant. Burgess J. L. Evans, owner of the building, said he would put in a new floor. A motion for the repairs was passed.

Councilman Brant inquired under whose jurisdiction the remodeling of the City Hall for the Fire Department came. He said the Building Committee had discussed it several times. President Friel said the matter would come under the work of the Public Buildings and Grounds Committee, C. W. Haddock, Chairman.

HELP YOUR KIDNEYS.

They Need Cleaning Once in a While to Rid Them of Impurities.

Its a mighty good thing for people with weak kidneys that A. A. Clarke is selling the newest discovery—Ames Kidney Pills.

They banish the misery of backache, sideache, shooting pains in such a short time that users are astonished. Wallace Bryant of Steamburg, N. Y., writes:

"For a long time I have been troubled with pains in my back over my kidneys, my urine was a deep red. I have been taking Ames Kidney Pills for this trouble and am now a well man."

Your kidneys get clogged just the same as your liver, a few doses of Ames Kidney Pills will drive out all impure matter. 50 cents. A. A. Clarke guarantees them. Ames Chemical Co., Corry, Pa.—Advertisement. 5

SOMETHING NEW.

WE have secured direct from the manufacturer and importer an assortment of

JAPANESE GOODS,

not usually offered outside of the largest city department stores, and on every article we guarantee our price to be as low as the same goods sold by those stores, or money refunded.

The line consists of the very finest Hand Decorated China, Sumida, Oribe, Awata, Green Tokonabe, Imari, Green and Wicker Covered Awaija wares, Smoked Bamboo, and Art Metal Goods, also some toys and novelties that are new, attractive and not expensive.

No one can give you better value for your Christmas money than you will find here. Beautiful and pleasing gifts, something new and out of the ordinary, suitable for men as well as for ladies and children at prices ranging from twenty-five (25) cents to ten ($10.00) dollars.

These goods were selected for us by an expert, a personal friend, through whom we were able to secre, at import prices, single pieces and sets that are sold regularly only in case lots—that is why we can offer an unusual assortment and at such low prices.

Our store is small and we are unable to display this stock as we would like. Don't wait until evening—come early in the day when the store is not crowded. Don't forget that in our regular line, Stationery, we have a complete stock from the very best makers.

It will pay you to visit our store before making your Christmas purchases.

Griswold & Richey,

105 N. Pittsburg St., 3 Doors from Brimstone Corner.

Wertheimer Bros.' Clothes

Make Ideal Christmas Presents

The world is growing wiser in the giving of gifts at Christmas—more practical and useful things are now the rule. Many women have learned the splendid possibilities of Men's Wear as practical

Gifts For Men and Young Men

—and isn't a "Man's Store" the most logical place to find things

That Please Men

EASY TO GIVE HIM A SUIT OR OVERCOAT

Perhaps you are wondering how we can fit him without his knowing what his present is to be—easy enough. No doubt we know just his size and what he likes—or we can write out an order for a Suit or Overcoat to be presented to us after Xmas. If he needs a Suit or Overcoat—give him one and we'll guarantee the fit, quality and satisfaction.

AND OTHER PRACTICAL GIFTS

Neckties, 50c to $1.50
Handkerchiefs, 10c to 50c.
Collars, 2 for 25c.
Shirts, 50c to $1.50.
Underwear, $1.00 to $4.00.
Night Shirts, 50c to $1.00.

Hosiery, 10c to 50c.
Cuff Links, 25c to $1.00.
Scarf Pins, 25c to $1.00.
Umbrellas, $1.00 to $5.00.
Suspenders, 25c to $1.00.
Caps, 50c to $5.00.

Gloves, 50c to $2.00.
Belts, 25c to $1.00.
Watch Fobs, 25c to $1.00.
Garters, 25c to $1.00.
Fancy Vests, $2.00 to $5.00.

Wertheimer Bros.

NORTH PITTSBURG STREET.

A. B. KURTZ,

CHRISTMAS SUGGESTIONS

Diamonds and Fine Jewelry

LaValiers	Cuff Pins	Lamps
Gold Bracelets	Hat Pins	Umbrellas
Signet Rings	Bar Pins	Cuff Links
Neck Chains	Silver Thimbles	Scarf Pins
Diamond Pendents	Card Cases	Vest Chains
Dress Pin Sets	Silver Novelties	Full Dress Sets
Gold Watches	Carving Sets	Diamond Links
Birthstone Rings	Mantel Clocks	Waldemar Chains
Gold Thimbles	Fine China	Military Brushes
Gold Lockets	Diamond Rings	Match Boxes
Belt Buckles	Ear Studs	Gold Knives
Stick Pins	Toilet Sets	Cigar Cutters
Puff Boxes	Photo Frames	Cigarette Cases
Traveling Cases	Jewel Boxes	Gold Fobs
Coat Chains	Desk Sets	Tie Clasps
Link Buttons	Leather Goods	Fountain Pens
Mesh Bags	Manicure Sets	Cloth Brushes
Watch Fobs	Fountain Pens	Emblem Rings
Lorgnettes	Sterling Silver	Satchel Tags
Gold Crosses	Cut Glass	

ELECTION BETS ALL OFF

Oldest Inhabitants Remember No Previous Time When All Were of One Opinion.

There's no use voting. It's all one way. Even the oldest inhabitant does not recall a time when it was so positively certain.

What's it all about? Why, the self-shaving outfit which The Courier is presenting. Every man who hears of it casts his vote in its favor.

And why not? It saves time, money and trouble. It's always ready to use at a moment's notice. It is made on practical lines that always assure a keen cutting edge, so that there is no scraping or scratching, and at the same time you can't cut yourself with it, not in a thousand years.

The complete set contains ten articles, all ready for immediate use, so all you have to furnish is the lather, when you can shave in a few minutes, at practically no expense.

The only possible way to get this Very Shary Outfit is through this paper, and only six coupons are required. These, in addition to the small expense amount, will get the complete outfit. But there's no time to lose, for they are going fast, and such an offer cannot last forever. So clip the coupon today and present six of them as soon as possible.

Married in Cumberland.

Nick Ritz and Katie Maueck, both of Connellsville, were married in Cumberland yesterday.

Are You in Arrears ?

on your subscription? You know WE NEED THE MONEY

JOB PRINTING OF ALL KINDS DONE AT THIS OFFICE.

WAVERLY

means highest quality and true value in

Gasolines
Lamp Oils
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Direct from our independent refineries

Free—320 page book—all about oil

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PITTSBURGH, PA.

The News of Nearby Towns.

MT. PLEASANT.

MT. PLEASANT, Dec 18—Misses Margaret Boyle and Catherine Daley of Scottdale were guests of the Misses Hartwig yesterday

Yesterday morning about 7 30 o clock fire was discovered among the clothing in Goldstone s room in the Mullin block An alarm was sent in and brought a number of people to the scene These persons began work and soon had the fire out.

About an hour later a second alarm sounded when fire was discovered in a house across from the Irish Catholic church where Mrs. Strellick an Italian woman, lived The fire started from a defective chimney The house was small and everything inside was badly burned

Mrs. Edward Weaver entertained with a fancy work party, from 2 30 to 6 o clock Christmas decorations were used Poinsettas were the flowers used Twenty five guests from Connellsville, Scottdale and this place were present. Her aides were Mrs Wilbur Barnett and Miss Emma Geisthorpe

Neil Kearns of Mammoth, was a caller in town yesterday

Thomas Cort a student at Ligonier is home for the Christmas vacation

H B Flick of Pittsburg, was a caller in town yesterday

Major Carroll of Pitcairn, and Colonel Heeson of Pittsburg held inspection of the Knights of Malta Canton No 70 in their rooms last evening

C T Davis P Corcoran F Bisher, William Howard Joseph Bonzer, Jesse Barsley L A Little and Joseph Jones Western Union Telegraph men are here taking out the cable and putting in single wires

William G Fundlun 17-months old is dead at his Bridgeport home of pneumonia Funeral services will be held on Thursday in the Bridgeport church Interment to follow in Moccasin cemetery

The Mt Pleasant Independent basketball team will play the Clover Club of Scottdale at the Armory on Friday evening and on Christmas evening they will play the Ludwig A C the champions of Western Pennsylvania Free dancing will be held both evenings

The Nemacolin Club will hold a dance in the Armory on Christmas afternoon

Miss Laura Carey of East Main street and Ira H Vance of this place, were married by the Rev Charles Schall at the First Presbyterian parsonage in Greensburg

Dr Headland gave a good lecture on China s New Day last evening in the Le Lanch Presbyterian Church A silver offering was taken up Miss Lona Marsh rendered a very pleasing vocal solo

A large crowd attended the recital given in the Institute chapel last evening by the Seniors The following program was cleverly carried out Impromptu in E Flat Schubert Miss Edna Shallenberger O Dolce Lucia Lotelli Miss Gunbe Nedrow The Maiden s Wish Chopin s Liszt Miss Anna Humbaugh Come Gentle Night Songs of Music Mendelssohn Miss Elizabeth Ramsey No turns Lost a Dream (in A Flat 3), Miss Olma Harmon

STAR JUNCTION

STAR JUNCTION Dec 16—W D Stoner of Dickerson Run was a business caller in town today

High class jewelry auction sale now on at Springer s—Ads

Mrs George Murch and Mrs Gash Fulton were in Mckeesport today

C S Blair was a caller in Connellsville today

Earl Doran was visiting in Mckeesport today

Leslie Lenhart was a caller in Connellsville today

Mrs Weldon Mrs James Morris and Mrs Charles Myers were Mckeesport callers today

John Bell who is working in Everson was home on Sunday

The quarters of the Union are all rented except the institute

Mrs J F Knox was a caller in Pittsburg today

Mrs Samuel Graham Mrs D M Graham and Mrs M L Elwell were in Mckeesport Sunday evening to hear Billy Sunday

Mr Irving Morrow and son, Emery were callers in Connellsville today

DUNBAR

DUNBAR Dec 18—Mrs H C Furbine is spending a few days in Pittsburg the guest of her son Reading

Mrs Perry Parker and Mrs P Kelly were shopping in Connellsville on Monday

Lyne Lyndrich returned home Saturday evening

Mrs W S Guddle spent Tuesday in Uniontown the guest of relatives

Born to Mr and Mrs William Hixenbaugh at Dawson a baby girl

T S Kerchner was a business caller in Connellsville today

Frank Demotte and Harry Bowman were Connellsville visitors today

C W Wagner was transacting business in Connellsville today

T M Nephew is a business caller in Pittsburg today

Among those that were doing their Christmas shopping in Connellsville today were Mrs W C Smith Antonio Lafino Mrs C L Dason Mrs Alfred Hampton Mrs David Williams Mrs William Grant and daughter Dorothy Young

Hunting Bargains?

If so read our advertising columns and you will find them

CASTORIA
For Infants and Children
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

Merry Christmas to Wifey!
Merry Christmas to Hubby!

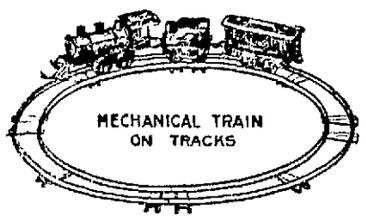
MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYBODY!

No matter what person you wish to delight with a gift which not only conveys the Christmas sentiment but is thoroughly practical and useful, you will find the very thing in almost any of the various departments of this Christmas store. Come in and look around. Examine the price tickets---everything is marked in plain figures. See what would be best for grandmother, grandfather, mother, father, sister, brother, daughter, son, aunt, uncle, cousin or sweetheart. To fully have the pleasure of giving something selected from our exclusive stocks is derived from the satisfaction of saying: ***"I Got it at the Aaron Store."***

To Cap the Climax, Our Clean Credit Offer Is Extended to Every Reader of This Ad!

Our credit accommodation is for self-respecting folks who join us in condemning the old-fashioned unscrupulous "installment plan."

Extra Special from TOYLAND



Consisting of a Locomotive, Tender and Day Coach, equipped with spring motor, which, when started allows the train to run around the track several times Wonderful value. On sale for Saturday only. **40c**

Smoker's Stand. Special Price $1.75

On sale until they are all sold They are in genuine oak finished Early English They contain a large roomy drawer for cigars has a brass ash tray and match holder The regular value of the stands is $2 75 special until Christmas $1 75

"WHAT I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS."

(By a Married Lady.)

"Of course I could name a lot of things I'd like to have, but the one that stands out above the rest is the practical step-saving Hoosier Kitchen Cabinet.

"My neighbor has one. She gets through an hour or two sooner than I. Her stove and sink are within arm's reach. Everything she uses in kitchen work is in her cabinet at her fingers' ends. She sits down at her work and saves miles of steps.

"The Hoosier Special Kitchen Cabinet enables one to buy it at a dollar a week. If my husband doesn't get me one for Christmas I'm going to buy one that way.

"But I think he is going to give me one. Twelve thousand other men gave Hoosier Cabinets to their wives last year."

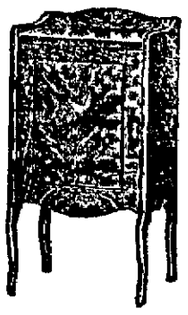
$25 to $30

WE CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO COME IN AND LOOK AROUND

THIS MASSIVE TURKISH ROCKER, Special Price $12.75

Well upholstered and tufted with Imperial leather—has spring seat and strong frame, Mahogany finished. A handsome, comfortable Rocker and a splendid value. Only

$12.75



Music Cabinets

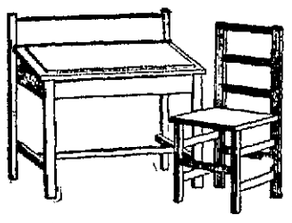
RANGING IN PRICE FROM

$5.75 to $45

This Large Size Doll Folding Go-Cart..... $1.95

This Doll Cart and extra large enameled steel body leatherette upholstered with filled sides Has reclining back for sleeping purposes Size of body is 19 inches by 30 inches Heighth of Cart to top of hood is 27 inches Steel wheels and rubber tires Special . $1 95

YOUTH'S DESK AND CHAIR. Special Price . .. $2.50

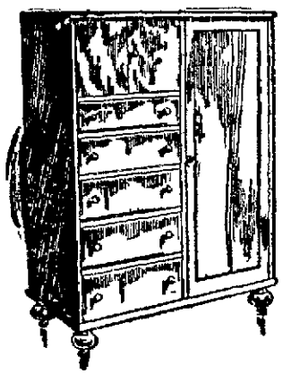


The size of the desk is 27 inches high 18 inches deep and 23 inches wide While they last .. $2 50

Aaron's 3-Piece Child's Special Furniture Set $2.75

This set is not a toy, but a furniture set your children will use and enjoy long after Christmas has been forgotten It consists of three pieces—like illustration.

Genuine Quartered Oak Bachelor's Wardrobe, Special Price $22.75



This beautiful Bachelor's Wardrobe will make a very useful and appreciative gift for husband, father or brother. Golden Oak. Dust proof.

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Goods Stored → Until Wanted.

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WEDNESDAY EVE'G., DEC. 18, '12.

PRACTICAL CONSERVATION.

The Secretary of the Interior, in his annual report, devotes considerable space to discussion of water power grants on streams passing through Government lands and on navigable waters not included in the public domain, and he concludes that such grants are proper and permissible for the purposes of modern progress and development, but that grants should not be made save conditionally upon their being exercised within a reasonable time for proper purposes.

The nation has recently awakened to the sinful waste of our natural resources and the solemn obligation we owe to posterity to conserve the heritage of our children. The coal supply of the country, great as it is, will not last forever. In a brief span as national life is measured it will have been so far exhausted as to make recovery laborious and expensive. Hence the present and future economy of hydro-electric development and the foresight which proposes the restoration of our streams by reforestation of the banks and watersheds.

In the same connection, the proposition to build storage dams for the double purpose of flood prevention and water supply for dry seasons might be considered from the new standpoint of combining with it the furnishing of hydro-electric power.

Conservation is a great question and the most serious problem in connection therewith is how to apply the principle practically.

THE RECOIL OF THE RECALL.

This has been a bad year for enthroned political power in State and Nation, not to mention Socialistic domination in South Connellsville.

The Southern situation is desperate. Lee has not yet surrendered, but Richmond has been taken. Socialism has been driven from Council; a new Street Commissioner is in command of the field forces, and power has slipped away from the Board of Strategy which started out to govern with the Mailed Hand.

Strange to say Socialism has been outdone in South Connellsville by that highly prized and venerated dogma which Theodore of Armageddon and William of the Watch Tower have filched and tried to copyright, namely, the Recall.

General Lee and his staff unlimbered this deadly battery upon several Socialistic members of the Council suspected of that Unspeakable Crime, sympathy with corporations; but the latter captured the battery and turned it against the aggressors, to their utter undoing.

The Recoil of the Recall was deadly at South Connellsville. The returns from Armageddon and Allegheny are not yet in.

The pardon of J. F. B. Rinehart, serving a 15-year sentence for wrecking the Waynesburg Farmers' & Drovers' Bank, after four years in the Western Penitentiary, will be regarded in many quarters with sour disfavor; but if the Greene county people who suffered most from the bank's mismanagement are satisfied, other people should have enough of the Christmas spirit not to kick too hard.

The threatened break in the natural gas mains is a serious matter for the thousands who depend upon this fuel for domestic purposes, and the mining interests should work with the gas interest to guard against any such public calamity.

The Baldwin avenue shooting indicates the necessity of a moral housecleaning in some parts of Connellsville.

It has taken a great deal longer to unscramble the Glencoe wreck than it did to pile it up.

While Peace pleasers War thunders at the walls of Constantinople.

An open pit lamp is not the best thing in the world to hunt an open keg of powder with. The discovery is apt to be much too sudden.

The Smithfield postal clerk who burned money without having money to burn is doubtless consumed with regret.

The Commerce Court may have been a fifth wheel in the judicial wagon, but if the railroad freight discrimination cases keep on piling up the Interstate Commerce Commission will have to be enlarged.

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISEMENTS

One Cent a Word.

No Advertisement for Less Than 15 Cents.

Wanted.

WANTED—A CHAMBERMAID. Inquire BALTIMORE HOUSE. 5dectfd

WANTED—GIRL FOR GENERAL house work. Apply 22 SOUTH NINTH STREET, Greenwood. 13dectfd

WANTED—NIGHT COOK. MUST have good references. Good wages. CROWN LUNCH, 136 W. Peach street. 17dec2td*

WANTED—AT THE OLIVER COKE plants Nos. 1, 2, 3 coal miners and coke pushers. Apply to Foreman of the respective plants. 6nov4tfd

WANTED — CARPENTERS AND carpenters helpers, also steam drill runners and helpers. Good wages and a long job. Apply to the T. A. GILLESPIE CO., Cheat Haven, Pa. 13decfmo-d

WANTED—A RELIABLE, COMPETENT man to level twenty ovens a day and take charge of a small coke yard of 40 ovens in West Virginia. Good wages. Address 900 CONTINENTAL BUILDING, Baltimore, Md., giving reference. 18dec2td

Wanted.

WANTED—COAL MINERS. APPLY PEERLESS CONNELLSVILLE COKE CO., Alverton, Pa. 9novtfd

For Rent.

FOR RENT—HOUSES. J. A. MASON, Second National Bank building. 8octtf

FOR RENT—APARTMENTS WITH every convenience. ROBINSON AND COUGHANOUR. 15novtfd

FOR RENT—SIX ROOM HOUSE AND bath. Apply 207 FRANCIS AVENUE. Only $15 per month. 18dec2td*

FOR RENT—ONE FURNISHED or unfurnished front room with bath, small family. Inquire 506 S. PITTSBURG STREET. 16dectfd*

FOR RENT—FOUR ROOM FLAT with bath, corner Main and Sixth streets, West Side. Inquire FLORENCE SMUTZ. 9novtfd

FOR RENT—FURNISHED ROOMS at Y. M. C. A. dormitory. Shower bath, swimming, pool and gymnasium privileges. $2.00 a week. 16dectfd

FOR RENT—SEVEN ROOM HOUSE with hot and cold water, natural gas and electric light. South Connellsville. Inquire MRS. ANNA HUMBERT. 2dectfd

For Sale.

FOR SALE—PIGS SIX TO TEN weeks old. Call CONNELLSVILLE GARBAGE CO. 18dec2tdtf

FOR SALE—FIRST CLASS LIGHT year old brood mare, weighs 1,350. Inquire A. F. PATTERSON, mile west of Scottdale. 17dec2td*

FOR SALE—FLORIDA MAGAZINE house heating boiler, good as new. T. T. EVANS, Connellsville, Pa. 13novtfd

Personal

MADAM MAY RETURNED, SEE HER at Hotel Wyman. Known for marvelous readings. Special price. Call early. 16dec3td*

Notice to Stockholders.

A MEETING OF THE STOCKHOLDERS of the First National Bank will be held at the bank on Tuesday, January 14th between the hours of 1 and 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of voting for or against the amendment of the Articles of Association as follows:

Resolved, That section three of the articles of association of this bank be amended by striking out the word "seven" making the same to read, "The number of Directors of the First National Bank of Connellsville shall consist of not less than five stockholders nor more than seventeen stockholders." E. T. NORTON, Cashier. dec11-18-25jan1

Notice to Stockholders.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT there will be a meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Connellsville on Thursday, December 19th, 1912, between the hours of 2.00 and 3.00 o'clock P. M., in the Directors Room of the Bank for the purpose of holding an election for the approval or rejection of a proposition to increase its capital stock from $75,000.00 to $200,000.00. E. T. NORTON, Cashier. 12-19-26nov5-10-17dec

Divorce Notices.

Robinson & McKean, Attorneys.

WILLIAM K. ALLEN VS BERTHA M. Allen. In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 400 September Term, 1912. To Bertha M. Allen, Respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the second Monday of January of said Court, A. D. 1913, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. HART A. KIEFER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, December 10th, 1912. dec11-18-26jan1

Robinson & McKean, Attorneys.

MILDRED A. MANSFIELD VS. Winslow L. Mansfield. In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 436, June Term, 1912. To Winslow L. Mansfield, Respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the second Monday of January of said Court, A. D. 1913, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. MART A. KIEFER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, December 10th, 1912. dec11-18-26jan1

A. C. Hagan, Attorney.

DORA L. VANCE VS. DELBERT L. Vance. In the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., No. 70, September Term, 1912. To Delbert L. Vance, Respondent, you are hereby notified that the subpoena and alias subpoena in this case have been returned "Non est inventus," you are therefore required to appear in the Court of Common Pleas of Fayette county, Pa., on the second Monday of January of said Court, A. D. 1913, to answer the libel and complaint filed therein, and show cause, if any you have, why a divorce from the bonds of matrimony should not be granted the libellant above named. MART A. KIEFER, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office, December 10th, 1912. dec11-18-26jan1

Merry Christmas

The spirit of the Christmas season here is common sense in selecting Gifts for Men and Boys!

It matters not what age He may be, buy those things which will not only please Him but that will give good service.

Don't trust to memory, but check below the articles you are interested in.

It will be only a pleasure for our Splendid Service to help you make a selection.

House Coats,	Handkerchiefs,	Fur Coats,
Bath Robes,	Umbrellas,	Sweaters,
Neckwear,	Caps,	Hosiery,
Shirts,	Fancy Vests,	Raincoats,
Gloves,	Underwear,	Dress Shirts,
Mufflers,	Night Robes,	Hats,
Suspenders,	Pajamas,	Caps,
Suits,	Suit Cases,	Scarf Pins.
Overcoats,	Cuff Links,	

We'll keep perfectly "mum" in regard to any selections you may make—deliver same when wanted—and make any exchanges desired after Christmas!

E. W. Horner

Title & Trust Building. Connellsville, Pa

If You Think

Of buying Shoes for Christmas-giving, Shoes that are dependable from the viewpoint of style, fit, comfort and service, we can fit and suit every member of the family

If You Think

Of buying Slippers for Men and Boys, Women and Children, you come to us. We'll show you a variety from which you can select just what you were looking for and our prices will be reasonable

Your Christmas Savings Account Checks Will Be Good at Our Store.

HOOPER & LONG,

104 West Main Street.

Holiday Attire

Christmas Gifts

UNION SUPPLY COMPANY

Christmas shopping has made a big rush at all the Union Supply Company stores, and we made big preparations months and months ago for this demand. We want everybody to see our great lines of Christmas goods, toys, dolls and other play things for the children. They are very complete lines and the prices are very low. Toys, books, games, dolls, hobby horses, steam engines, electric engines, fire engines, etc. We cannot attempt to name or describe them, but we want you to see them. They are being carried off daily in large quantities. Then there are other lines for the children, gloves, neckwear, caps, and all sorts of raiment for the boys. For the men great lines of handkerchiefs, neckwear, suspenders, in individual boxes, put up nicely so you can mail them for Christmas presents. There are all sorts of toilet sets, manicure sets, smoking sets, and lines of furnishing goods; novelties and staples; all new; latest design, and we know that our prices cannot be excelled.

Santa Claus Has Filled Our Stores With Beautiful Things Suitable for Christmas Gifts For Women, Misses and Children.

It would be hard to specify the entire lines, but we will mention just a few. They are plain and initial handkerchiefs, beautiful things in neckwear, scarfs, headwear, etc. All sorts of shirt waists, skirts, dresses, suits, all sort of shoes, tan, black, patent leather, etc. Many nice things put up in the way of handkerchiefs, and other furnishings in boxes; very tasty for Christmas presents. There is no occasion for people in the coke region going to town to buy Christmas gifts. You can buy them at our stores to better advantage; we have better variety; better prices; better goods. In fact lots of the town people come to our stores to buy their Christmas presents.

Christmas Preparations in Our Grocery and Meat Departments.

There are the most complete lines of special goods for Christmas for the meat department you will find in the markets. Of course we always carry special things, but the Christmas holiday trade we have a little greater variety. In the groceries, we have all the fancy groceries, all the best things in fruits and nuts, and our meat markets are filled up with special sausages, dressed turkeys, dressed chickens, dressed ducks, etc. The freshness of our stocks; the completeness of our stocks and the promptness in delivering, and fairness in price, are all to your advantage, as well as ours. We solicit your Christmas business.

UNION SUPPLY CO.

63 LARGE DEPARTMENT STORES,

Located in Fayette, Westmoreland & Allegheny Cos.

After all, the Ideal Gift

Without a Peer Would be a

Fine Wilton Rug

A safe and sane one, too. You can be sure of the size, the quality and the beauty, all of which insure their acceptableness. Also a very refined gift and one that will be of long service as well as a great improvement to the home. These fine Wilton Rugs are rich in appearance, of splendid wearing quality and come in beautiful new designs, in the most pleasing color combinations. They come in sizes 27x54 at $4.00 and $4.50; 36x63 at $6.00 and $7.00 and 9x12 at $38.00 and $42.00. Can also be furnished in odd sizes. There is scarcely a home but is in need of at least a small rug and the price is so small that it won't stand in your way. Think it over.

The Bissel Sweeper, a Gift

acceptable in every home. The prices are easy to meet, ... $2.50, $2.75 and $3.50

New Christmas Neckwerr

The biggest line of Holiday Neckwear being shown in this section. Choosing from these is an easy matter as the assortment is wide. The new Robespierre styles, lace and net stocks, beautiful bows in lace, nets, messaline, velvets and crocheted effects are shown in plain and fancies, as well as a good line of jabots, Dutch and coat collars, etc. The majority of these are put up in Christmas boxes and marked at popular prices.

Petticoat Special

Just for the Holiday season we are offering a line of Silk Petticoats at a price that will insure their rapid sale. Taffetas and messalines in black, white and colors with wide knee flounce and dust ruffle. Your choice at $3.00

E. DUNN

N. PITTSBURG St. CONNELLSVILLE.

We Are Headquarters

Time is now on for buying your Christmas Gifts. We have Shoes—the best makes sold in Connellsville, Slippers of all sorts, Leggings, Overgaiters, Lamb Wool Soles, Gum Boots, Felt Boots and Arctics. We will be headquarters for the most useful and serviceable Christmas Gift any one can give—FOOTWEAR—one that is sure to be appreciated.

Why Not a

Walk-Over, Banister or a J. E. Tilt Shoe. What man would not appreciate a pair of these renown shoes. When you give a pair of these, you will be sure to please. Dependable Footwear.

BOYS' HIGH CUTS
Black and Tan
Waterproof Soles and Tough Uppers
Boys Will Appreciate Them

INFANT'S SHOES—Soft soles in all all colors, fancy High Tops in red and white. Leggings in blue, tan, red and black. Slipper soles for croqueting.

Why Not a

Queen Quality, Zeigler Bros. or Edison Cushion Soles—most women of Connellsville are acquainted with these Shoes. You buy the very best of shoemaking, the very newest styles and the very lowest of price for good Shoes. Black Suedes, Velvets, Brown Buckskin, Gun Metal Calf. Tans and Patents with Cloth Tops.

GIRL'S HIGH CUTS
Patents Dull Tans
Button and Lace
Make a Useful Christmas Gift

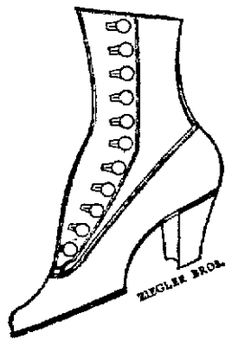
SLIPPERS!

See our Christmas Slippers in choice and splendid variety. Many models entirely new this season. If it's Slippers don't pass us up.

We make changes after Christmas. Store open every evening till Christmas See our windows for display

DOWNS' SHOE STORE

127 N. Pittsburg St., Connellsville, Pa.



DISINFECTION THE QUESTION BEFORE STATE INSPECTOR

Dr. Portzer Visits Scottdale and Investigates School Conditions.

PARENTS HAD FELT ALARMED

Students Homecoming from College Is Beginning—Surprise Party and Taffy Pulling—Newsy Notes of Mill Town and Its Vicinity.

Special to The Courier.

SCOTTDALE, Feb. 18.—An investigation by Dr. C. M. Portzer of Greensburg, representing the State Department of Health in Westmoreland county, at the instance of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, who was requested for an opinion on the action of the School Board of East Huntingdon township in not disinfecting the White and Browntown school houses, has been made.

There was a case of diphtheria at the White school, which adjoins the town, and a case of scarlet fever at the Browntown school, which is practically in the fourth ward of Scottdale. At neither of the school buildings was disinfection practiced. In the White district a large number of the parents knowing that the school had been closed for a couple of days, as they expected for fumigation, refused to send their children back to school until the house was disinfected. Dr. Porter saw no cause of diphtheria outside of that of John Kitchen's son of Mr. and Mrs. William Kitchen, come to light, a ruse had started their children back to school.

Others who kept the children out were served with notice by Truant Officer Volk making the parents subject to prosecution for failure to comply with the compulsory education law. These then took up the matter with Dr. Dixon, the City Commissioner of Health, who, finding urgent reason for keeping the children out of school during the time of the house being in the condition without being fumigated.

Dr. Portzer made a thorough examination of the matter and said if the school board found that since no new cases had started up, although several days had elapsed since the last case and as the house in question had not served to show evidence of illness while at school, the White school house should be made safe probably without disinfection.

In the Browntown matter he said that the school board [illegible] of diphtheria and to be sure of safety so far as could be then determined, ordered that the Browntown school building be disinfected.

Dr. Portzer expressed himself as being pleased that the question had been brought up and felt that the board and citizens were both acting, so far as they could see, for the general good. A case of scarlet fever at the Hawkeye school caused an order for disinfection of that building also.

HOMECOMING STUDENTS.

With the approaching holidays the students will be coming home from the colleges to spend the Christmas time in Scottdale. Several schools and colleges have students from this place, and among those here or coming are:

From Oberlin, Albert Kelster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kelster; David Gove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gove; Lillian Loucks, daughter of Mrs. D. S. Loucks, and Margaret Kitschgan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Kitschgan.

Allegheny College, Meadville: Frances Barnhart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Barnhart; Ruth Browning, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Browning; Jessie Reed, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Reed; John Van Horn, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Van Horn, and Carl and Earl Gilbert, sons of Dr. and Mrs. L. T. Gilbert.

From Wilson College, Chambersburg: Ruth Eicher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Eicher.

State College, Harry Shupe, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Shupe; Henry Witt Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Campbell; Charles Cramer, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cramer; George Brennen, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brennen, and Clarence Hayes, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hayes.

Otterbein University, Westerville, O.: Ruth and Russell Weimer, children of Mr. and Mrs. O. D. Weimer; Ethel Shupe, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Shupe.

California State Normal School: Ethel Rhodes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Rhodes and Matilda Frymoyer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Frymoyer.

Mt. de Chantal, Wheeling, W. Va.: Madeline Brennen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Brennen.

Dickinson College, Carlisle: J. Donald Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Porter.

A SURPRISE PARTY.

A surprise party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Hixson on Wesley Chapel on Saturday evening in honor of their daughter, Blanche, and her cousin, Miss Ada Hixson, of Smithton. Those present were: Charles Flack, Joseph Folgar, Cyril Hickey, Grover Folgar, Gertrude Shawley, Florence Campbell, Gertrude Willard, David Hough, Alice Willard, Elmer Seltzer, Samuel Felix, Minnie Miller, Frank Hough, Gertrude Stover, Vera Espey, Sherman Felix, Lilas Shawley, Joyce Folgar, Lee Browning, Cora Willard, John Hovenden, Blanche Hough, Sarah Browning, Florence Hough, Ruth Felix, Mary Baird, Blair Baird, Lena Carlson, Jerry Dillinger, Ray Folgar, Gordon Hixson and Ralph Folgar. The evening was spent in games, after which time was an old-fashioned taffy pulling.

Practical - Santa - Claus - Says:

"GIVE PRACTICAL GIFTS AND THE MEMORY LINGERS."

Serviceable and useful Christmas Presents are the kind that are not forgotten a few days or a few weeks after the happy holiday is over. They live to bring back the memory of the gift and the giver every day of the year. Close your eyes and your ears to the many pretty phrases and empty adjectives about "gift suggestions" and consider the wisdom of spending your money for real sensible gifts.

Right now our stocks are at their fullest—and such stocks. They are gathered from wherever the best could be found, arranged for easy selection, and PRICED AT THE FAIR PRICES OF REAL WORTH. So come, visit this big Christmas store today. See just how many useful and inexpensive gifts can be bought here to your profit and someone's happiness.

Today began the LAST FULL WEEK of Christmas shopping. The days when buying MUST be done. And the EARLY DAYS PRESENT FULLER stocks with their better variety of choicer gift things. Decisions must be made, so that the burden of Christmas problems may be lightened. KOBACKER'S IS THE GREAT ANSWER OF CHRISTMAS QUESTIONS.

1. Because of the magnificent stocks of conveniently displayed giveable merchandise.
2. Because of the courteous, intelligent, helpful service that our people render.
3. Because price are always the most moderate—quality considered.
4. Because every transaction must be entirely satisfactory to you before we consider the goods sold.

But don't delay now. Come tomorrow—and come early in the day. The morning hours are golden.

The One-Third Off Sale of Women's Suits

Began with our entire stock of this season's best suits underpriced. (A few blues and browns excepted," a ta full saving of One-Third. Your profitable opportunity to present yourself or one of the family with a smart new suit for Christmas and have the saving to spend for other gifts. The sale opened with over 300 suits of the latest fashions—styles that appeal to women seeking the distinctive and dignified. Come in tomorrow and pay only two-thirds of the regular selling price for any suit in the store. (with a few blues and browns excepted.)

Yesterday morning the Half-Yearly Coat Fourth-Off Sale of Women's Coats began. There are a few occasions throughout the year that thinking women have taken as they did this important sale of coats at a fourth under the regular prices. For this event our entire stock of the season's newest coats, without a single reservation, is featured at a full saving of 25 per Cent. Coming at this time the sale commands the earnest consideration of every woman who has need for a coat for the Holiday seasons—and appeals particularly to members of families who wish to present one of their own with a fashionable coat for Christmas—a very sensible gift indeed.

There's the gratifying choice of upwards of 300 coats anll new this season and from makers upon whom the best stores in the country rely for their handsomest coats. Best choosing will go to those who manage to see the collections of coats at 1/4 Off. Come and pick them from the complete assortment.

All Girl's Coats, All Children's Coats

Right before Christmas we offer you lower prices than other stores will name in January. Every Girls' and Child's Coat in stock (sizes 5 to 16) at 25 per cent. less than marked prices. Chinchillas, Bouches, Cheviots, Velvets, Corduroys, mixtures and worsteds all included. Loose, half-belted and belted—all-around styles; full lined with silk or lanuell or half lines.

Just arrived, 200 Misses', Juniors' and small Women's coats, $8.00, $10.00 and $12.00 values, to go at $5.90.

New Scarf Coats, Johnny Crats, full length Coats, Semi-Fitting, Half and Loose Belted Coats, in assorted materials.

Buy Her Furs

Ask her, drop a hint, or mention "Furs," and most men will find their wives or daughters, or sweethearts unhesitatingly anxious for them. There is probably no gift so regal, no gift that brings greater pleasure than FURS. Test it this Christmas, as probably you have planned to do for several seasons.

Don't imagine for one moment that to get good furs you must pay an exorbitant price. We have one of the best, if not the best assortment that has ever been shown in Connellsville, of moderately priced Reliable Furs of Quality. Every piece has been selected and matched by an expert. Every piece as represented. This assortment has been selected so as to suit every purse, and every piece possesses style.

This showing includes sets from.....$5.00 to $150.00
Neckpieces and Muffs from.....$2.50 to $75.00

AND REMEMBER, that Furs chosen before Christmas and for Christmas presents, may be exchanged after Christmas if you do not happen to strike just her fancy.

Make Ideal Xmas Gifts

The very best gift of all would be a fine Suit or Overcoat. ou can get them here—the latest Fifth Avenue styles—all ready to put on. Suits for men and young men, Suits for Boys; all sizes; all models; all prices—as much or as little as you want to pay. Remember that anything you select may be exchanged after Christmas if you desire. And your money back if you want it, of course, on anything you buy here. Another thing, don't forget yourself in this Christmas buying. Now, spic and span—better let us outfit you.

Come to TOYTOWN TOMORROW

THE MOST INTERESTING OF ALL TOY STORES.

How the children love to visit Toytown. They're loath to leave—and parents cannot blame them when they see the great and interesting stocks. There's no riff-raff nor old stock in Toytown—everything new, fresh and worthy, specially purchased for this Christmas season—the first time we've ever had toys to sell—and we've made a glorious beginning.

In Toytown you will see pretty dolls, games by the hundreds, mechanical toys to instruct and amuse, tiny furniture, little trunks, hobby horses, the humpty-dumpty circus, tool chests, all kinds of animals, automobiles, aeroplanes, auto wagons, kri-kars and other things beyond number.

Bring the children to this wonderful little town tomorrow—it's the best way to learn their Christmas desires and at the same time affords no end of pleasure and delightful surprise.

KOBACKER'S

THE BIG STORE
On Pittsburg Street

Irish Cured Hams and Bacon

Please remember that I am the only dealer in this city that has a full line of

A sample order will convince you. Once tried—always used.

Irish Cured Goods

Any cut of fancy Home Dressed Beef, Veal, Lamb and Pork from

PRIME CHRISTMAS SHOW STOCK.

LET US HAVE YOUR ORDER FOR THAT CHRISTMAS TURKEY.

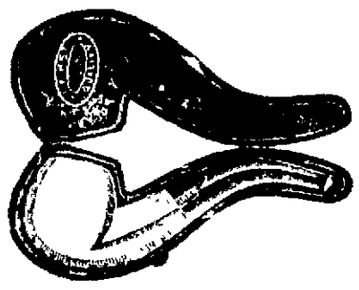
We have a Special Silver Coupon Offer from now until Christmas Day to boost your collection.

YOU NEVER PAY MORE AT

Muir's Meat Market.

A Few Suggestions

To Help You in Selecting a Suitable Xmas Gift.



We have genuine Brier and Meerschaum Pipes in fancy cases, at 75c, $1.00, $1.25, $1.50 and $2.00 up to $5.00, $6.00 and $8.00 grades. Genuine African Calabash Pipes.

All standard brands of Cigars and Stogies in Xmas packages—12, 25, 50 and 100-boxes.

Huyler's, Reymer's Crown and Utopian Chocolates and Bon Bons in fancy boxes and baskets.

Fancy Smoking Tobaccos, Tobacco Pouches, Playing Cards Souvenir Post Cards, Christmas Cards, Pass Cases, Bill Rolls, Coin Purses Penny, Nickle, Dime and Quarter Register Savings Banks.

Agency for A. G. Spalding & Bros., Basketballs, Rugby Footballs, Boxing Gloves, Punching Bags, etc.

Remember the place,

J. H. DOYLE

172 West Main Streen, Opp. Yough House,
CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

ROCKWOOD.

ROCKWOOD, Dec. 17—Barber J. J. Kerr will occupy his new quarters in the Farmers Bank building on December 12, with entire new equipment.

Joseph Garzenda has purchased the meat market of R. L. Meyers at the Wilson Creek mines and has taken possession of his new business. Mr. Meyers will continue as manager of the Dull Mercantile Company, also at the Wilson Creek mines.

Ross Cupp of Casselman, has moved his family to Rockwood, in the Penrose Wolf property on Main street.

Attorney Hammond and Principal Assistant Engineer G. H. Friend of Cumberland, Md., for the Western Maryland Railroad Company, were in Rockwood on Monday enroute to Somerset where they will represent the railroad in several right-of-way claims now pending.

Mrs. Jacob Kregar, who has been ill for several weeks past at the Krega rhome in Turkeyfoot township, is reported to be slightly improving.

Jacob Zearfoss, B. & O. foreman, has moved his family to Somerset, where he has been appointed as foreman of the tracks in the Somerset yards.

E. J. Carroll, B. & O. operator in Connellsville, spent Sunday with friends in Rockwood.

HEART DISEASE. MANY thought incurable soon cured at home after 1 to 15 doctors failed. A great specialist will send a $150 Special Treatment FREE as a trial. Six treatments for Enlarged, Valvular, Rheumatic, Fatty, Dropsy and Nervous Hearts, Short breath, palpitation, smothering, irregular pulse, pain, swollen ankles etc. 30 years' experience, wonderful success. Write now for $250 Free Heart Treatment, New Book and Story Remarkable Cures in Your State. Speedy Relief. Address Dr Franklin Miles 577 to 587 Main St., Elkhart, Ind.

If your bread and cake taste coarse and dry, don't let tomorrow's taste like today's,—change to

DAVIS BAKING POWDER

It makes bread and cake nice and light, and keeps it moist and palatable. 1 lb. 20c.—½ lb. 10c.—¼ lb. 5c.

All good Grocers sell it or will get it for you.

DECEMBER 18, 1912.

INTERNATIONAL BIBLE LEAGUE COUPON

The return of this coupon with 98 cents (to cover the items of cost of packing, transportation from factory, checking, clerk hire and other necessary expense items) entitles the holder to a copy of the International League Bible. Remit 15 cents postage if Bible is to be sent by Mail

THE COURIER, Connellsville, Pa.

JOB PRINTING OF ALL KINDS DONE AT THE COURIER OFFICE.

CONFLUENCE.

CONFLUENCE, Dec. 18.—Mrs. D. H. Brown was treated to a very pleasant surprise on her birthday, which occurred on the 12th day of the 12th month, 1912. A number of her women friends were present. After several hours of social enjoyment and enjoying a dainty lunch, they returned to their homes wishing Mrs. Brown many more happy birthdays.

The Johnson's Chapel Sunday school is preparing for a Christmas entertainment.

Robert Havner of Ohio, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Havner and his brother and sisters. He has not been here for 11 years.

Miss Gertrude Dold will leave soon for a visit to her sister, Mrs. Ralph McClune in Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Augustine of Addison were here yesterday on their way to Uniontown to visit friends.

Marshall Brooks of Addison was here yesterday on his way to Uniontown on business.

Reports received from J. H. Weaver who is confined in the Mercy hospital, Pittsburg, after undergoing a severe operation, state he is improving nicely.

E. VanSickle of Ursina was a business visitor here yesterday.

Louis Lininger was a business visitor to Connellsville yesterday.

C. R. Neighborgall, general lumber inspector for the B. & O., of Parkersburg, W. Va., formerly of this place, was in town on business this week.

H. P. and J. L. Burnworth of Johnson's Chapel, were business visitors to Somerset yesterday.

V. W. Humbert and force of men are plastering new houses for Nelson A. Wright at Watson, Pa.

Marcellus and Orville Burnworth of Johnson's Chapel were transacting business sin town yesterday.

C. W. Hall of Charleston, Pa., was circulating among friends in town last evening.

Mrs. C. A. Hall of Fairview Cottage, is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. C. Eicher and family at Fort Hill.

J. W. Show of Mt. Zion was in town yesterday transacting business.

John Reed of Henry Clay township was here yesterday shipping two large porkers to John Dixon in Connellsville.

E. W. Deltoit of Charleston, Pa., who has been very sick, is able to again visit town.

Charles Floto, a cigar manufacturer of Berlin, was calling on patrons here this week.

J. B. Colborn of near the Jersey Church, was a business visitor here yesterday.

WHAT'S THE REASON?

Many Connellsville People In Poor Health Without Knowing the Cause.

There are scores of people who drag out a miserable existence without realizing the cause of their suffering. Day after day they are racked with backache and headache; suffer from nervousness, dizziness, weakness, languor and depression. Perhaps the kidneys have fallen behind in their work of filtering the blood and that may be the root of the trouble. Look to your kidneys—assist them in their work—give them the help they need. You can use no more highly recommended remedy than Doan's Kidney Pills.

Below is grateful testimony from a sufferer in this locality.

Mrs. B. Dunaway, Mt. Sterling, Pa., says: "I had pains in the small of my back and twinges when stooping or lifting. My back was lame in the morning. Sometimes I had dizzy spells and my sight blurred. The kidney secretions contained sediment and I had to get up at night. I used Doan's Kidney Pills and they helped me greatly."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.—Advertisement.

A New Receipt for Making Fudge. Cut This Out and Try It.

Take 1 tablespoon butter, 1 cup milk, salt, 2 cups sugar (brown or white), 1 cup Zatek Chocolate Icing, few drops vanilla. Melt butter in saucepan, add sugar, Zatek Chocolate Icing, milk and salt to taste, stir until the mixture boils, or until a soft ball is formed in cold water (about 12 minutes), then add vanilla and beat until creamy. Pour into buttered pan. If desired, add ¼ cup seeded raisins or nuts before beating.

This receipt is especially gotten up for the use of Zatek Chocolate Icing. This new form of chocolate is equally well adapted to the making of delicious cake frosting, cocoa and for ice cream. Ready for instant use. No eggs to beat, no sugar to boil, no chocolate to melt. 15c per full half-pound at grocers, or send his name and 15c in stamps and get full half-pound package by mail. Pennsylvania Chocolate Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.—Adv.

Telephone, and spread good cheer, For Christmas comes but once a year.

The C. D. & P. Tel. Co.,
Thomas Simpson, Agent,
Connellsville, Pa.

¶New, Crisp, Bank Bills and Gold Coin cheerfully exchanged for our patrons and friends for Christmas Gifts.

CITIZENS' NATIONAL BANK

Pittsburg Street Connellsville, Pa.

WALLACE Furniture Co.

The Christmas Store

¶Get Busy People and Select Your Gifts Before the Rush. Holiday pieces Galore.

We are in the lead for the gift-buying.

The Xmas spirit is in the air. No better place to buy than here. Everything to satisfy young and old. A grand line of Furniture, Rugs, Cut Glass, Dinnerware China, Mirrors and Pictures. An assortment at prices never heard of. Quality the very best. Spend a few moments of you time here and we will convince you that this is true.

Make every friend of yours feel happy by buying a handsome gife. A few of the many to select from:

Davenports,	Beds,
Chairs,	Stoves and Ranges,
Library Tables,	Dinner Sets,
Parlor Tables,	Childs' Rockers,
Bookcases,	Dressing Tables,
Buffets,	Dining Tables,
Ladies' Desks,	Sewing Tables,
Cut Glass,	Card Tables,
Couches,	Tabourettes,
Music Cabinets,	Pedestals,
Blacking Cases,	Piano Benches,
Magazine Racks,	Shoe Flies,
Costumers,	Hobby Horses,
Hall Racks,	Baby Walkers,
Dressers,	Doll Carts,
Chiffonieres,	Small Child's Table.

Wallace Furniture Co.

West Main Street, Near the Bridge.

Please Don't Forget, Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus,

that every child in Connellsville should find a savings account pass-book in his or her stocking on Christmas morning.

It's the one gift that doesn't depreicate the Day after Xmas but increases right along.

$1 Opens a Savings Account
4% Compound Interest.

THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK

"The Bank That Does Things for You"

If you want to send "Christmas Money" anywhere in the world, see our Foreign Department—All languages spoken.

Efficient Service and Courteous Treatment

Has enabled us, within the past year, to double the number of our customers. Quite a number of persons and societies, with surplus funds, who do not want to tie up their money subject to the rules of a regular 4% account, are taking advantage of our special 3% accounts.

If you are a customer at this bank you will always find us willing to extend any reasonable accommodation on satisfactory security.

Our Customers Always Receive the Preference.

If you have a little ready money it will pay you to open an account with us, become acquainted, and take advantage of our service.

The Colonial National Bank

CONNELLSVILLE, PA.
Corner Main and Pittsburg Streets.

4% Interest paid on Certificates and Time Deposits. Foreign Department equipped to give the best of service.

The Yough National Bank,

126 W. Main St., Connellsville, Pa.

Capital and Surplus.....$150,000
Total Resources.....$900,000

4% Interest Paid on Savings.

4% Interest Paid on Savings Accounts.

SECOND NATIONAL BANK

Connellsville, Pa.

Safe Deposit Boxes in Steel Vaults for Rent.

THE GIFT THAT'S MOST APPRECIATED

An article of usefulness and necessity is always appreciated and especially if it is something that is used in the home. Then on the other hand, money spent for gifts of this kind is money really saved.

Especially for the gift hunters, we have a big line of new things not usually found in any hardware store, such as the Clauss Scissors, Fine Pocket Cutlery, Table Knives, Forks and Spoons, Carving Sets, Razors and Strops.

SKATES AND SLEDS

For the Boys and Girls.

Come in and See Our Christmas Gifts.

Schell Hardware Company

W. Main Street, Connellsville, Pa.

COMPLETE $5.00 OUTFIT

SELF-SHAVING SET COUPON

PRESENTED BY THE

Daily Courier, December 18, 1912.

"YOU'LL NEVER NEED TO BUY ANOTHER BLADE."

Present the above coupon at this office, with five others of consecutive dates, and the cost amount of expense items named below, and get this Safety Outfit that has made self-shaving popular.

$5.00 VERY SHARP SHAVING OUTFIT

Ready to use, all complete, contains one Safety Razor, one quick stropper, one Genuine Horse Hide Strop, Six Sharp Steel Blades, one box Very Sharp Dressing, which applied to the strop a little at a time will keep the blades sharp forever. This complete self-shaving outfit makes shaving a pleasure at any and all times. Present Six Coupons with the cost amount of expense items which is only **89c**

By Mail on the Same Terms, but Include 6 Cents Additional for Postage.

Mrs. J. R. Foltz's Xmas Offer

Of a Sample Line of

FURS

At 10% Above Cost

This line of Furs will be withdrawn Monday, December 23rd, so you must act at once as all unsold Furs will be returned on the above date.

Our special Xmas offer of Millinery will consist of Bonnets, white and evening shades, at $5.00.

Brilliant Hat Pins, 25c to $1.00.

Special Trimmed Hats for middle aged ladies at $2.50.

All Plumes, White and Black, at One-Half Price

Suits and Coats One-Half Off Regular Price

Open Evenings Until Christmas

S. & H. Green Trading Stamps

THE BEST PLACE IN FAYETTE COUNTY TO BUY YOUR

CHRISTMAS CANDY

for we carry everything in Candies. Our fine line of the very best Home-made Chocolates from 30c to 80c pound. All kinds of Taffy made fresh every day, 10 and 20 cents per pound.

We carry the most up-to-date line of Fancy Boxes and Silk Hearts from 15c up to $8.00.

OUR MAPLE ICE CREAM IS THE BEST EVER.

Special attention to Sunday School Orders.

Mikalarias & Berbatis

N. PITTSBURG ST., CONNELLSVILLE, PA.

Xmas Money To Loan

To ANYONE having steady work on their plain note. No endorser. No other security required. Strictly confidential.

PEOPLE'S BROKERAGE CO.

734 First National Bank Bldg.
UNIONTOWN, PA.
Bell Phone 1243.

Office hours 8 A. M. to 5 P. M.
Open every evening 6.30 to 8.30.

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Are right here in the advertising columns of this paper.
If what you're selling has merit,
ADVERTISE IT.
An ad. will sell it for you.

Financial Progress

As time passes, every year the Title & Trust Company of Western Pennsylvania is making greater financial progress and increasing its usefulness to the people whom it is always pleased to serve.

Accounts subject to check arecordially invited.

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Oldest Savings Bank in Fayette County.
Capital and Surplus
$425,000.00.

TRY OUR WANT ADS.

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NOTARY PUBLIC
AND REAL ESTATE.
No. 3 South Meadow Lane.
Connellsville Pa.

MEYERSDALE.

MEYERSDALE, Dec. 18.—The leading mid-winter social event in Meyersdale was the marriage last night at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Stein, North street, of their two daughters, Miss Bertha Stein to Mr. John Adamson of Baltimore, and Miss Fredda Stein to Mr. John Hughes, also of Baltimore. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. John A. Yount, pastor of the Zion Lutheran church. The brides are popular and accomplished young ladies, and leaders of society in Somerset county. Both the bridegrooms hold responsible positions in the engineering department of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, and for some time had their headquarters here. Among the out-of-town guests present were Mr. and Mrs. John Ryan, Connellsville; Mrs. J. B. Winters and daughter, Miss Marie, and Mr. and Mrs. George Stein, Somerset; W. S. Barrett, Pittsburg, and the following from Baltimore: B. Compton, J. A. Withnall, J. H. Waters, W. N. Briscoe, S. H. Pulliam and W. T. Brooks. The happy couples left on No. 6 for the Bermudas to spend a several weeks' honeymoon, after which they will be at home to their friends in Baltimore.

R. C. Slocomb of Connellsville, was transacting business here yesterday.

The following from nearby points were business visitors to Meyersdale yesterday: F. E. Hanna, Rockwood; Paul Pritts, Somerset; J. K. Frick, Johnstown; L. H. Long, Connellsville; J. F. Werner, New Baltimore.

R. H. Koontz, who more than a quarter of a century ago conducted a marble shop at this place, and now engaged in the same business at Greensburg, is here to spend a few days with relatives and friends. He has been the guest of his nephew, W. C. Koontz, clerk at the Colonial.

Miss Mary Fike, who is a student at Juniata College, Huntingdon, Pa., is home to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Fike of Beachley street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Daugherty returned home yesterday from New Castle, Pa., where they attended the funeral of the former's uncle, Conductor James Dougherty, who was run over by an engine in the New Castle yards of the B. & O. He was a brother of the venerable conductor, Captain W. M. Dougherty, and many years ago served as a conductor on the local division of the B. & O., and resided here.

J. H. Bender, of Springs, was a business visitor to Meyersdale yesterday.

C. A. and C. O. Bonder, of Grantsville, Md., were circulating among friends here last Saturday.

E. P. Blough, of Hooversville, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends here.

L. J. Burke, H. L. Sheppard and W. Grumiser, all of Johnstown, were in town yesterday.

BIG G Cures in 1 to 5 days Gonorrhoea and Gleet. Contains no poison and may be used full strength absolutely without fear. Guaranteed not to stricture. Prevents contagion. WHY NOT CURE YOURSELF? At Druggists, or we ship express prepaid upon receipt of $1. Full particulars mailed on request. THE EVANS CHEMICAL CO., Cincinnati, O.

RUNNING SORES VANISH

San Cura Ointment, Stops Terrible Skin Itch Like Magic; Cures Eczema, Salt Rheum and Heals Ulcers.

It's the Most Wonderful Ointment on Earth.

Thousands have blessed the day they first heard of San Cura, for in thousands of homes in America, its wonderful quick acting healing power has freed from terrible affliction one or more persons.

Running sores or fever sores, no matter how long standing, no matter who says they can't be cured, will soon disappear when San Cura Ointment is used.

It cures so surely and without leaving a scar that Graham & Co., Connellsville; S. A. Lowe & Co., Scottdale, guarantee it for any of the troubles mentioned above and for burns, bruises, scalds, frosted feet, chilblains, boils, carbuncles, sore nipples, itching piles—money back if not satisfied.

San Cura Ointment is 25c and 50c a jar. Acquire a soft, velvety, clear skin by using San Cura Soap at all times, the best antiseptic soap, 25 cents. Thompson Medical Co., Titusville, Pa.—Advertisement.

Making Money—How?

Money makes money by a gradual growth. It increases just as the tree grows. It is a natural growth. You cannot make money grow more rapidly than the conditions will permit. Sometimes it grows more rapidly than it does at other times, naturally and safely. Interest is the best means of increasing your money. The surest way of making money is by having it drawing interest. You can always depend upon interest, if your money is safely deposited with the bank. The Citizens National Bank of Connellsville invites interest bearing accounts in any amount. 148 Pittsburg street, Connellsville, Pa.—Advertisement.

Xmas Suggestions.

Wouldn't your son or daughter be pleasantly surprised if presented with a term of lessons at the Mt. Pleasant Institute in piano, voice, violin, china painting, oil or water color. Address E. HAWKE.—Adv.

Try our classified advertisements.

If yo want a good Maryland Turkey, chicken, duck, goose or a choice cut of beef, pork, veal or lamb; home made sausage and lard, leave your order with

Oliver H. Silcox

306 N. Pittsburg St.

FACE DISFIGURED WITH BARBER'S ITCH

Pimples Came Out With Great Itching, Scratching Made Sores, Much Pain, Burning and Loss of Sleep. Cuticura Remedies Cured Him in Three Months.

2121 Moore St., Philadelphia, Pa.—"About twenty-three years ago I contracted a severe case of barber's itch. The trouble began on the left side of my face and extended down to the neck and around to the right side of my face. The pimples came out with great itching and I scratched and made sores. They caused me much pain and itching and burning and great loss of sleep. I suffered for four years and tried everything I heard of and different remedies. I had them lanced and it caused my face to be disfigured and disgusting to look at.

"Finally I began using Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment and Cuticura Resolvent. I saw a great change from the first. After using two boxes of Cuticura Ointment, four cakes of Cuticura Soap and the Resolvent I was entirely cured in three months of the terrible disease and there is not one single mark on me." (Signed) Wm. J. Holmes, Apr. 6, 1912.

A single cake of Cuticura Soap and box of Cuticura Ointment are often sufficient when all else has failed. Cuticura Soap (25c.) and Ointment (50c.) are sold by druggists and dealers everywhere. Sample of each mailed free, with 32-p. Skin Book. Address postcard "Cuticura, Dept. T, Boston."

Tender-faced men should use Cuticura Soap Shaving Stick, 25c. Sample free.

JOHNSTON COAL CO.
Are ready to supply you with RUN OF MINE OR LUMP COAL
Call on either Phone.
Bell 523 Tri-State 150.

Come—Farm Where Success is Sure

WHY waste time and wear out your life working an Eastern farm, when land in the Sacramento Valley, California, will produce many times more net profit to the acre, with less work and worry.

In Northern California the soil is richer, sun shines more oftener and irrigation makes you independent of the rain and drought.

Oranges, alfalfa and all fruits, grains, grasses and vegetables mature four to six weeks earlier in Northern California.

Stock and poultry are easier to raise and produce more because the climate is milder, and they can be kept out of doors all the year, where green feed grows in abundance.

Markets are near, with cheap railroad, river and trolley transportation.

Investigate these wonderful farms; large acreage is unnecessary.

"TWENTY'S PLENTY—FORTY'S A FORTUNE"

Read carefully this table of profits and note the production to the acre; you will then understand why the Kuhn farms in the Sacramento Valley are money makers.

Alfalfa	$ 60 to $100	Lemons	$150 to $300
Almonds	80 to 100	Loganberries	150 to 300
Apples	100 to 300	Olives	100 to 200
Apricots	100 to 150	Oranges	200 to 400
Asparagus	100 to 250	Peaches	200 to 300
Beans	60 to 100	Pears	150 to 300
Blackberries	150 to 300	Plums	100 to 200
Cherries	150 to 300	Potatoes (Irish)	100 to 150
English Walnuts	125 to 300	Potatoes (Sweet)	100 to 150
Figs	100 to 200	Prunes	125 to 200
Grapes (Raisin)	80 to 150	Strawberries	200 to 300
Grapes (Table)	75 to 150	Sugar Beets	40 to 75
Grapes (Wine)	60 to 150	Tomatoes	100 to 150

"Your Success is Yours——Your Failure is Our Failure"

Write today and learn of people who are making big money on Kuhns' Sacramento Valley Farms, the profits paying the purchase price.

Don't delay if you are interested, write us at once, as every day now sees new settlers moving on this land and the best farms go first.

KUHN IRRIGATED LAND CO., Dept. 5A
511 WOOD STREET - - - - - - - - PITTSBURGH, PA.

The Sacramento Valley is unquestionably America's best ALFALFA country

"I Am Starving!"

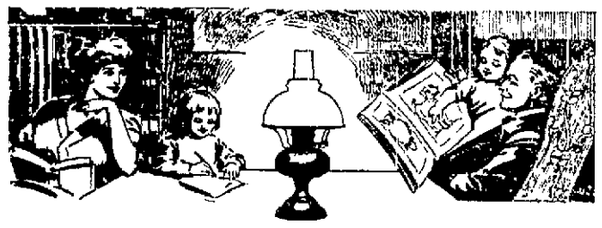
"The sight of food disgusts me I can't eat. What shall I do for strength?"
Use

Dr. Greene's Nervura

blood and nerve remedy. Get the strength you are entitled to. Poor blood, general weakness and liver trouble follow quickly when the stomach is out of order.

Dr. Greene, specialist in treatment of nervous and chronic diseases, may be consulted personally or by mail, free, 3 West 14th St., New York.—Advertisement

Do You Want Help?
Try our classified ads. One cent a



The Light for the Home For reading—for all home use—the best lamp you can buy is the Rayo.

There is no glare; no flicker. The light is soft and clear. The Rayo is a low priced lamp, but you cannot get better light at *any* price. Rayo lamps are lighting more than three million homes.

Save the Children's Eyes—and Your Own.

The **Rayo Lamp** Lighted without removing chimney or shade. Easy to clean and rewick. Made in various styles and for all purposes.

At Dealers Everywhere

THE ATLANTIC REFINING COMPANY
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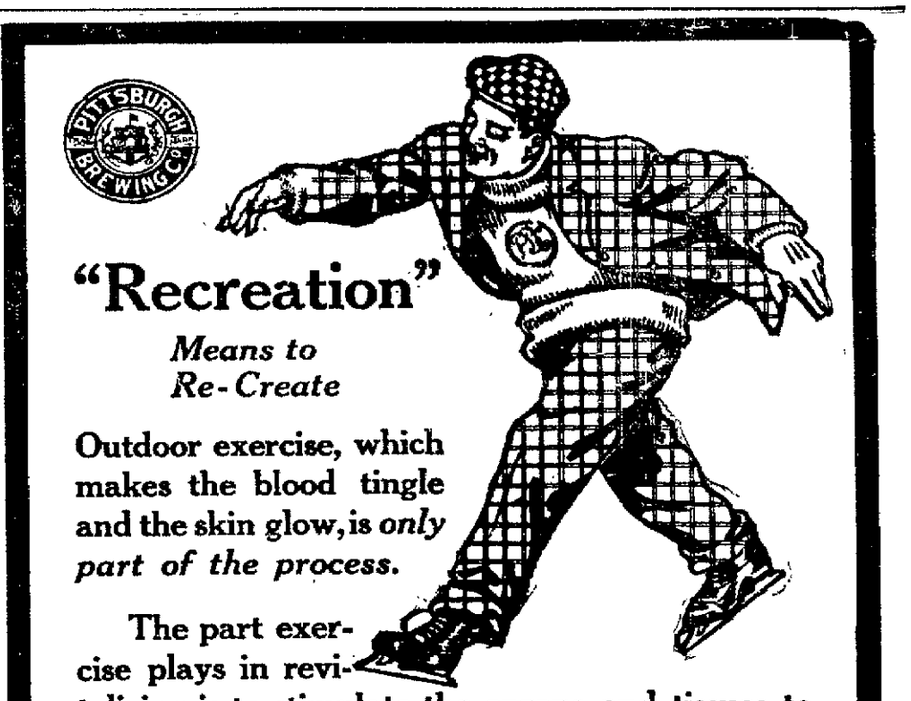

"Recreation"

Means to Re-Create

Outdoor exercise, which makes the blood tingle and the skin glow, is *only part of the process.*

The part exercise plays in revitalizing is to stimulate the organs and tissues to *throw off worn-out body materials* and *assimilate new.*

Exercise makes hunger—and hunger is nature calling for new building material—something refreshing.

Pittsburgh Brewing Co.'s Beer

is both food and drink—

the beer that is our particular pride. We have spared no cost or pains to make it the best in the world.

At all the best places

Pittsburgh Brewing Company

CONNELLSVILLE BREWERY.

The Hours Are Fleeting Fast, St. Nick Will Soon Be Here

Is your gift shopping out of the way? Have you forgotten any one? Think it over, then come into the Metropolitan Store of Pittsburgh, to finish it up.

You will be surprised how easily you can scratch off the different articles you have decided upon for the different friends on your list.

Enormous Stocks of Gift Things, With Prompt Service in Each and Every Department, Assures a Visit of Much Satisfaction to You.

It will not only pay you in the matter of gift buying to come here, but the visit will be one of much pleasure.

Joseph Horne Co.
PITTSBURGH

NOTICE!

THE CONNELLSVILLE MARKET LEADS THEM ALL IN PRICE

Strictly fresh eggs per doz 25c

MEAT! MEAT! MEAT!

Pork chops, per pound .....15c and 16c
Fresh Home Made Pork Sausage, per pound....15c
Round Steak, per pound 18c
Loin Steak, per pound 20c
Roast Beef, per pound 15c
Boiling Beef, per pound .....10c and 12c
For all other meats call on us, and see our prices.

GROCERIES!

25lb sack of sugar.....$1.40
Made Rite Flour.....75c
Gold Medal Flour, small 80c
Gold Medal Flour large $1.55
Old Reliable Coffee 30c
Condensed Milk of all kinds.....30c and 25c
Fancy Head Rice 3lb for 25c
Sour Pickles, 3 doz. for 25c
Dill Pickles, 2 doz for 25c
Large Can Tomatoes, 3 for 25c

FRUIT AND PRODUCE

Fancy Potatoes, bu. 75c
Jersey Sweet potatoes, ¼pk. 10c
Oranges, per doz .....20c and 35c
Figs, per lb. 12c, 20c
New Dates, lb, ...10c

Anything in fruit and vegetables. We have it. Tomatoes, cucumbers, lettuce, head lettuce, green onions, green beans, yellow beans, mushrooms, cauliflower. For your needs call on us. Also will have 300 turkeys for Christmas. Leave orders at the

Connelleville Market

136 N. PITTSBURG STREET
Both Phones Free Delivery

SMITHFIELD.

SMITHFIELD, Dec. 18.—C. E. Vernon of Dayton, O.; W. P. Jones, Troy, O.; T. S. Barkel, Connellsville, were registered at Burton's on Monday.

The remains of Benjamin Wood were brought here today from Butler, where he died Sunday of strangulation of the bowels, and were interred in the family plot in Pleasant View I. O. O. F. cemetery. Deceased was a son of Lewis Wood, formerly of this place but now of Scottdale, and Josephine Campbell Wood, deceased.

DELICATE TIRED WOMEN

This is an unnatural condition—a little rest each day and ***Scott's Emulsion*** after every meal gives nature the material to restore strength.

Scott's Emulsion is a strength-building, curative food and tonic to overcome weakness and fatigue—contains no alcohol or drug.

It doesn't stupefy the nerves, it feeds them.

Expectant and nursing mothers always need Scott's Emulsion.

Scott & Bowne, Bloomfield, N. J. 12-78

PATRONIZE THOSE WHO ADVERTISE IN THE DAILY COURIER.

BAKERY

Don't fail to stop in at Hoffman's Bakery, 145 W. Main street (formerly Renner's) when buying Bread, Cakes, Pies or Doughnuts.

Orders for wedding cakes and parties promptly filled.

Don't forget to buy your Christmas cakes from Hoffman's and you will enjoy your Christmas dinner.

HOFFMAN'S

Patronize your home industries.

When shopping down town stop at Hoffman's for a hot cup of good coffee. We serve sandwiches, cakes and pies.

We wish you a Merry Xmas.

Confectionery

Sports

SCOTTDALE BOWLERS.

The Mill Town Men Getting Active On the Capitol Alleys in Evenings.

The bowling game is taking on great activity in Scottdale and nearly every evening there is a swift contest going on at the Capitol alleys. Some of the recent ones and their scores are as follows:

The Union Supply team of Uniontown was beaten by the Frick office team by 117 pins, Hockenbury of the Frick office rolling the high score of the game, 320. The score:

Union Supply.				
Bowman	78	60	82	220
Howard	85	81	89	255
White	89	84	73	246
Barkell	102	86	81	269
Rodgers	76	107	83	266
Total	430	437	408	1276
Frick Office.				
T Scott	76	87	95	258
J. Scott	87	87	95	269
R. Barkell	97	98	84	279
Engle	93	87	86	266
Hockenbury	114	93	113	320
Total	467	452	473	1392

Engineers Roll.

The engineering Department of the Frick company contributed a couple of teams which rolled a game in which Hockenberry led one team and Joseph Scott the other. The score:

Engineers.				
Nearly	71	57	58	186
Sturgiss	78	88	83	249
Ficher	80	88	96	264
Raider	82	93	104	279
Hockenbury	113	112	115	340
Total	324	436	453	1381
Scottdale.				
Bedale	77	66	85	227
Fisher	70	56	67	193
T. Scott	94	87	84	265
Engle	88	81	89	258
J. Scott	90	80	97	267
Total	419	369	422	1210

The Second Game.

In the second game of the series between Owensdale and Morgan, Owensdale won by 10 pins making a game won for each team. M. King of Owensdale and Kling of Morgan were tied for high score, each rolling 311. The score:

Owensdale.				
M. King	91	104	116	311
Robbins	84	106	79	269
Ridenour	92	107	84	283
Garey	86	77	102	265
King	86	89	82	257
Total	433	483	464	1385
Morgan.				
Crouse	93	90	90	273
Kling	112	116	83	311
Loftus	82	111	116	309
Bredlow	81	95	76	252
Haley	57	87	86	230
Total	425	499	451	1375

DICKERSON RUN.

DICKERSON RUN, Dec. 18.—Mrs. J. C. Jacobs was shopping and calling on Connellsville friends Saturday afternoon.

Auction sale of high class jewelry now on at Springer's.—Adv.

Miss Maud Snyder of Greensburg is spending a few days here the guest of her mother, Mrs. H. E. Snyder.

Biddie Hornbeck was transacting business at Connellsville Saturday evening.

Miss Lida Maust of Gates is spending a few days here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Maust.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Bailey of McKeesport were the guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bailey, Sunday.

James Beatty and Roy Riser were calling on Scottdale friends Sunday evening.

Thomas Donnelly and John Trump of Connellsville were the guests of friends here last evening.

Miss Nellie Mellurney of Franklin township was the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Mellurney, Saturday evening.

Lloyd Shallenberger of Vanderbilt was a Connellsville business caller yesterday.

A large force of P. & L. E carpenters arrived here yesterday morning and moved the brakemen's quarters, known as the "Cat's Nest," to the opposite side of the main tracks, next to the Dawson bridge.

Misses Florence and Helen Durbin were shopping and calling on Connellsville friends Saturday evening.

Mrs. P. G. Smith, who contracted pneumonia a few days ago, died here Monday morning.

Misses E. Dane Hornbeck, Georgia McGurney and Estella Dunlap are attending the institute at Uniontown this week.

TRIED IT THREE WINTERS

And T. D. Downs Considers It the Best Made.

Yes, Bear's Emulsion Builds Up the System and Keeps Off Severe Coughs.

John D. Bear, Elkton, Va.,

Dear Sir: I have taken Bear's Emulsion each winter for three different winters, and I have found it the best thing I ever took to build up my system, improve the appetite and protect me from the winter coughs, which I have been subjected to for the last ten years. And Bear's Emulsion is the only thing I have ever gotten that would break up the cough and strengthen me. I recommend Bear's Emulsion not only as the best cough remedy, but one of the best tonics I ever took

Yours truly,
T. D Downs.

Do you need a tonic, a tissue builder, and something that will stop that annoying cough? Well, then, there is nothing that will do this for you just as Bear's Emulsion will. One bottle will stop that cough that you had for years, build up your run-down system. You can now get it at Graham & Company's drug store and A. A. Clarke's drug store, Connellsville, Harry McGibbon's drug store, Dunbar, and the leading druggist in Scottdale.

TOYS

A toy column that children can read.

T-o-y-s, Toys.

Oh, see the toys in the Wright - Metzler toy store: Are they not fine?

Are there an-y toys in Connellsville that are not there?

Not man-y.

Look at that man. Is he not fun-ny? He wagged the don-key's head and looked as if he was a-fraid some-body saw him. Why did he do that?

He did it be-cause he want-ed to play but he did not dare to play be-cause he was grown up.

Oh, my: it must be awful to grow-up!

Oh, no; it is not so bad, you can buy toys for little boys and girls and play with them.

Is that why people who do not like Christmas are most-ly people who do not like children?

May-be it is.

BOOKS—

Of Christmas sentiment—white parchment backs, lettered in gold and colors, containing several pages in color printing. Special .....10c each

Children's picture books—soft or stiff covers—all linen. 10c to 50c

Story books for boys and girls. Good print, neat binding.
Jack, the Runaway.
Comrades of the Saddle.
Tom, the Telephone Boy.
The Newsboy Partners.
—And other stories, 25c.
The Racer Boys.
Dorothy Dale Books.
—Several subjects by the best writers for boys and girls, 50c.

DESKS, and two chairs. ... $3.00 to $6.00
DINING SETS, table, 4 chairs. $6.00 to $9.50
SLEDS, several kinds, 50c to $2.00.
VELOCIPEDES, rubber or steel tired wheels..$1.35 to $3.25
VELOCIPEDES, ball bearing, $10.00.
STREET AUTOS, $3.50 to $10.
CARTS AND WAGONS, 10c to 25c.
TOOL CHESTS, 75c to $4.50.
DRUMS, 25c to $2.75.
HORSES, on frames, $1.50 to $10.00.
ROCKING CHAIRS, children's sizes, some with leather seats. $1.75 to $2.00.

SET—
The Humpty-Dumpty circus—and the circus band-wagon.
The pink-and-white pig.
The big dolls in their party dresses.
The furniture for dolls.
The puzzling games.
The electric trains; street cars.
The big pianos.
The dancing minstrels.
The moving picture machines.
The big-headed cat.
The life-size dog.
The modern laundry outfits—and hundreds of dolls.
(Toy World, Basement.)

New Fiction 50c a Copy

Always acceptable as a gift—a good, stirring story, be it of our modern times or of years and years ago.

New fiction at a popular price is always here first.

To illustrate:
Rules of the Game
His Hour
The Silent Call
The Siege of the Seven Suitors
The Husband's Story
Heritage of the Desert
Trail of Ninety-eight
Madam Butterfly.
Mr. Justice Raffles

Book Booth
(First Floor)

Wright - Metzler Company

THE WRIGHT-METZLER STORE WILL BE OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS.

Father Christmas

has inspected this store and wishes us to say that he finds no old straw to thresh;

and no mouldering or sodden last year's stocks to clear out in a Christmas rush;

and no saved-over fireworks to squib off.

and no jaded, unpleasant helpers in charge of his finest;"

But plenty of merchandise for Christmas and afterward.

—different and exquisite gift things.

—quaint conceits of the season.

—and the kind of service that "means it."

He also remarked that whoever takes time to examine the merchandise will have more ideas about Christmas when they get home than they had when they started.

WRIGHT-METZLER COMPANY,

The New Neckwear Is Lovely For Gifts.

Dainty pieces only waiting for you to choose them and to be tucked into pretty boxes and go off to make delightful feminine gifts.

Women are buying even the finest pieces by twos and threes to send to friends.

Hand - embroidered Neckwear, stocks, jabots, Dutch collars and sets, deep-back collars and sets, coats and shawl collars and sets. 50c to $15;

Exquisite scarfs in plain colors, $1.00 to $10;

figured effects, $1.00 to $5.00; dainty novelties 50c to $6.50. ....

Shadow lace jabots, stocks and jabots, 75c to $2.50.

Christmas Gifts in The Bedding Store

"I could buy every one of my gifts in this Bedding store" one Christmas shopper told us, and she said she was sure every gift would be delightfully acceptable.

Here are blankets, quilts and spreads—linen sheets and cases, or sheets and cases of cambric muslin for the guest room, the nursery, the young girl's room, the bachelor's abode—not just ordinary bedding, but distinctive bed-coverings for anybody who has a sleeping room to furnish.

For the same room are towels—choice here of a great many kinds—in guest or regular sizes, of linen—huckaback or damask—plain or scalloped and embroidered—and splashers, draperies, decorative linens, cushions, laundry bags, shoe bags—found in various places about the first floor. Curtains—the choicest stock we've yet shown—on the sixth floor.

Cotton blankets 50c to $3.50—wool blankets, $4.00 to $7.50; comforts $1.00 to $10 each.

Sale of Women's Coats

Lower Prices on Every One of the Hundred and Some Winter Coats in Stock

Last week we advertised a sale of women's dresses—entire stock at half price, excepting a few chiffon frocks. An out-of-town woman sent her husband in to investigate. Looking over the groups (there were several over an hundred dresses) he said, "Why, we thought when reading the advertisement, that you must have had a thousand dresses on sale." He found as many dresses as he wanted to buy, but his remark was a brick-bat which we are publishing as cheerfully as if it had been o bouquet. The point is this: We want our printed word to leave no doubt in anybody's mind as to the character, value and quantity of anything we bring to their attention. So, with genuine thanks to the man who misconstrued the advertisement he read, we'll make this one very explicit by stating that

The Sale Includes 118 Coats

In sizes—colored—for girls who wear 13, 14, 15, 16, 18; misses and small women whose size is 16 or 18. Colors and black for women who wear regular sizes—34 to 44; for women who wear odd, between sizes, 35 to 47.

The coats are this season's models—three-quarter or full length; some, the heavy fabric ones, of double-faced cloaking, unlined; others full-lined or lined to the waist. The colors are black, several shades of brown and two color or mixed.

The fabrics—in colors—are heather mixtures, imported and domestic zibeline, chinchilla, wide wale diagonals, plain and two-tone; boucles and plaid back cloakings. In black there are serges, broadcloth, wide wales and diagonals, clay worsteds and meltons.

The collars and cuffs are deep and of self material or inlaid with velvet—Collars are protective, but may be worn flat.

$15, $16.50 $18 00 Coats..... **$12.50**
$19.75 and $22.50 Coats..... **$16.50**
$25.00 to $29 75 Coats..... **$22.50**

Evening Or Dress.

Coats of fine black materials, fancily fashioned, some fur trimmed, at $26.50, $30 and $37.50 for $35, $40 and $50 values.

1,500 Pillows Ready For Christmas Giving.

All kinds, at all prices, in all materials, from tapestry pillows at 50c, to exquisite boudoir pillows at $6 50. Others are covered in velours, damasks and fancy leathers, variously decorated. Altogether, a wonderful collection—largest we have had and by far the best.

Tapestry, silk, velour and damask pillows gor from 50c to $6.00; fancy leather pillows from $4.50 to $6.50.

(Dry Goods Store)

Small articles thoroughly useful and acceptable, each a thing of beauty and genuine worth, and with no glitter to dim a few days after it is given. Just those sturdy, giveable, small things that may be presented a
Young person
An older one
—Husband,
—Wife,
—Brother,
—Sister,
—Parent,
Or intimate friend.

LEATHER—
Dressing Cases, brush cases, manicure implements, photo frames, leather encased drinking cups, collar bags, flasks and clocks.....50c to $12.50

QUADRUPLE PLATED SILVER—
Shaving sets and mirrors; smoke sets, hat brushes, hair receivers, collar button boxes, hat pin holders, vanity mirrors, talcum can holders, military sets for women, dressing sets for men ..75c to $18

SILVER PLATE—
Cigar jars, toilet sets and photo frames, jewel boxes..50c to $2.50

STERLING SILVER—
Toilet and dressing sets; manicure sets, military brushes, nail files, shoe horns, buttoners. 25c to $20

IVORY COLORED ENAMELS—
Fifty styles in jewel boxes; pomade jars, stamp boxes, pin cushions photo frames, hair receivers, puff boxes, clocks. 25c to $5.00

SWEET GRASS—
Thirty styles and sizes in fancy work and utility baskets, broom holders, bag bottoms, napkin rings, balsam pillows ....30c to $2.50

LACQUERED BRASS—
Smoker sets, ash trays, busts, cigar jars, humidors, book racks, etc. 50c to $7.50

HANDKERCHIEFS For Women.

Make it six or twelve this year.

Initial, 85c to $3.00 a dozen.
Embroidered, $1 50 to $24 a dozen.
Lace edged, $1.50 to $36 a dozen.

For Men

Longcloth, linen, silk; plain or lettered:

$5 to $1.00 each.

(Furnishing Store.)

The Baby Shop

—Children's Shop, too. A prettily decorated both, largest in the store, is a special selling place in the Millinery room, second floor. In it are dainty and safe playthings for babies; the loveliest gift things one could think of.

—And tiny wear things: Sacques, booties, mittens, etc. Knit of the softest yarns. Cunning dresses and skirts—long and short.

For older tots are wear things of yarn, silk and lawn; carirage robes and a great many things you'll want to see—and buy.

Came Late: Leather Hand Bags

The remaining few from a maker who decided to dispose of a group made for another store and not delivered for business reasons.

Otherwise the prices would be more than we ask.

Seal grain, or pin seal leather, with frames of gun metal, gold plate or silver. Some of these bags have inside fittings, $8.00 to $15.00.

Sixth Floor Gift Things

Light-weight wooden folding card tables, 27 inches high and with tops 30x30 inches square and covered with green felt or imitation leather, **$3.00.**

Chests—Matting covered, **$4.75**; genuine cedar, polished, 41 to 46 inch lengths, **$16.50 and $18.00.**

Matting covered shoe box, **$2.50.**

Smoker stands of oak, fumed or mission, tripod shape or square, fitted with brass ash tray, cigar clip, cigar rests and match safe: one style has a drawer—**$1.98 to $5.00 each.**

Leather top foot stools, sewing tables, curtains, etc.

Wright-Metzler Company

New Students May Enter

THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE NORMAL

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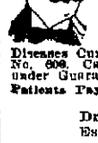

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PERRYOPOLIS.

PERRYOPOLIS, Dec. 18.—The Christian Church people, who have been holding their services in Malta hall, opened their house of worship Sunday. Services will be held this week and probably will be continued longer, in charge of W. H. Devore.

Mrs J. O. Stenger was a Connellsville shopper Monday.

John Anderson and family of Bellevernon were town callers yesterday

Mary Heltebran of Star Junction was calling in town Monday

Leslie Thompson of Smithton was in town Monday.

Classified ads one cent a word.

Xmas Presents at the Mt. Pleasant Institute!

Yes, why not give your children gifts of lasting value? Try a term of music or art lessons at the Mt. Pleasant Institute. Choice of china painting, oil, water color, violin, vocal or piano lessons. Address E. HAWICE, —Adv.

Are the Fly and Mosquito Dangerous?

The fly, with spongy feet, collects the invisible germs of diseases, spreads them over our food and poisons us with typhoid and cholera. The mosquito with its bite injects into our veins malaria and yellow fever. The bacteria of consumption, or grip, are everywhere present for us to breathe into our lungs. The blood which flows through our veins and arteries is our protection. It should contain healthy red and white blood corpuscles—capable of warding off these disease germs. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a blood medicine and alterative made entirely without alcohol, a pure glyceric extract of bloodroot, golden seal, Oregon grape root, queen's root, mandrake and stone root, which has enjoyed a good reputation for over forty years. The refreshing influence of this extract is like Nature's influence—the blood is bathed in the tonic which gives life to the blood—the vital fires of the body burn brighter and their increased activity consumes the tissue rubbish which has accumulated during the winter.

M. MAGUIRE, ESQ.

"About forty years ago while in Newark, New Jersey, I had chills and fever," writes MR. MICHAEL MAGUIRE, of National Military Home, Kans. "I went to Kansas City and in the spring of 1877 the chills and fever returned. Doctors and everything I tried failed to do me good. Finally I saw Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery advertised. I took one bottle of it and the chills vanished. In about a year afterward I felt them coming back so I got another bottle and have never had any symptoms of fever or ague since. That is all of twenty years ago, for I had the chills about twelve years before I started to take 'Golden Medical Discovery.'"

Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are for liver ills.

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PARCELS POST IS BLOW AT THE HIGH COST OF LIVING

Postmaster General Hitchcock Believes it Will Go Long Way Toward Solving This Serious Problem—35,000 Postmasters are Studying the New Rules.

The guests are waiting, waiting, ma.
Oh, what are we to do?
With dinner late
Our social fate
Will put us in a stew.
The table's standing, standing. Ah,
Its praise I'd fain begin.
But grub—alas,
There's none to pass!
The mail has not come in.

For the housewife to have explained that breakfast was late because the postman failed to get around on his usual time might have aroused in the near past such suspicion in John that he would have left the home without touching his grape-fruit and in such a towering rage as to have brought from wifey a wailing denunciation, punctured with sobs and tears, of the brutality of man.

But when 1913, year of promised innovations, jumps into the domestic arena for a 365-round bout and gets going in proper form, an excuse for Mary that luncheon will be postponed because the "bird" did not come in by the expected mail from Pittsburg and a sympathetic—instead of an angry—reply from hubby, may be probable.

And it will be all due to the parcels post.

"Hello, Smith the Grocer, this is Rockwood. Send me a nice chicken, ready for the pot, two bunches of celery and half a dozen radishes by the next mail," may be an every day telephone message into Connellsville after January 1. For does not Postmaster General Hitchcock, in his latest regulations on the parcels post, say that butter, eggs, lard, fish, fresh meats, dressed fowls, vegetables, fruits and other necessities of life can be sent?

The first demand in the shipments of such substances is that they be packed in such a manner that they will not break from the packages and damage the mail, and that fresh meats must not go beyond the first "zone"—fifty miles—from the parcels post. Parcels that will be perishable must be so marked.

Candies, confectionery, yeast, cakes soap, tobacco, pills, tablets, toys, musical instruments, queen bees, live insects, dried reptiles, fruit seeds, nursery stock and other plant products will be entitled to mailing under the parcels post. And so—

After the bells toll the death of 1912 the postmaster, instead of handing out fancy postcards, perfumed letters and various other kinds of correspondence and literature, may suspicion that here is a can of sardines for Salome, a box of bon bons for Bertha, the "makin's" of tomorrow morning's buckwheat cakes for mother, the day's "chawin" from the city tobacco store for dear old dad, a lifeless lizard from Los Angeles for Uncle, the Professor, an accordeon for Aunt Angelina and—a lemon for little Louie.

But while the "bird" may come, the bottle will have to stay behind—or arrive in some manner other than parcels post. Classed as unmailable articles are spirituous, vinuous, malted, fermented, or other intoxicating liquors; poisons of every kind, poisonous animals and living reptiles, explosives of every kind, inflamable materials, infernal machines, disease germs or scabs or materials of whatever kind may kill. Firearms will be excluded also.

The Postoffice Department at Washington is busily engaged now in rushing out to about 35,000 offices, or "units," the parcels post regulations so that the postmasters will have time to study them before the law goes into effect on January 1.

Postmaster General Hitchcock is anxious to have the parcels post system a success from the start. He has expressed the belief that the service will solve the great cost of living problem, in that it will enable the farmers to ship products to markets at rates more reasonable than those offered by express companies.

For parcels post the United States, its territories and possessions will be divided into eight "zones." The charge of shipment will be according to the zone in which the addressee is located. This will require the furnishing of postmasters and rural delivery carriers with parcels post maps and rate guides and possibly scales. At least the postmasters will have scales, and they may be added to the rural carriers' equipments.

Shortly before January 1, Postmaster A. E. Kurtz, of Connellsville, will receive copies of the official parcels post maps and guides. The maps will show the unit area in which the Connellsville office is located and the eight "zones," and will indicate the distances on which the rates of carriage will be based. The guides will show the unit of area in which each postoffice in the United States is located and will contain full information as to its use in conjunction with the map. It will contain the regulations approved by Postmaster General Hitchcock for the conduct of the parcels post service.

While the initial requirement is that each package shall be securely wrapped, the next is that it must not exceed 11 pounds in weight and 72 inches in length and girth combined. Tape lines six feet in length will be supplied along with scales to offices to determine if the package may pass. The packages must not be of such kind likely to injure any postal employe, mail or equipment, and not of a character perishable within a reasonable period of transportation. This period may be determined from the character of the package's contents, though no further direction was supplied in the official instructions.

Special parcels post stamps will be a striking feature of the service. Those stamps can not be used on other mail, nor the regular stamps on the parcels or packages if the requisite stamps are not on hand. They must be bought at the office or sub-station Because of the special stamps, the Postoffice Department has issued the following radical orders:

Distinctive parcels past stamps must be used on all fourth class matter, beginning January 1, 1913, and such matter bearing the ordinary postage stamps will be treated as "held for postage."

Parcels will be mailable only at postoffices, lettered and local named stations as may be designated by the postmasters

All parcels must bear return cards of senders; otherwise they will not be accepted for mailing.

Under the postal rates existing until January 1, fourth class matter, which is merchandise, can be sent for a flat rate of one cent per ounce; but the parcels post laws designate the decided departure. Under the incoming regulations packages weighing not more than four ounces can be sent for one cent per ounce, but more than four ounces will cause the determination of the rate by the pound and "zone."

The rate of local delivery, which will include the loacl postoffice and rural routes from the office, will be five cents for the first pound, or fraction, and one cent for each additional pound, or under fraction. Delivery at another office will place the package under "zone" rates.

The accompanying schedule shows the charges for various "zones."

The first zone shall include all territory within such quadrangle, in conjunction with every contiguous quadrangle, representing an area having a mean radial distance of approximately 50 miles from the center of any given area.

The second zone shall include all units of area outside the first zone, lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately 150 miles from the center of given unit of area.

The third zone shall include all units of area outside of the second zone, lying in whole or in part within a radius of approximately 300 miles from a center of a given unit of area; the fourth zone, all units of area outside the third within a radius of approximately 600 miles from a given unit of area center; the fifth zone, all units of area outside the fourth within a radius of approximately 1,000 miles from a given unit of area center the sixth zone, all area units outside the fifth within a radius of approximately 1,400 miles from a given area center; the seventh, all area units outside the sixth within a radius of approximatly 1,800 miles from a given area center, and the eighth zone shall include all units of area outside the seventh zone.

Whether the zone map will show the country and possessions placed in quadrangles or cut by large circles has not been learned at the office here. This is a feature yet not explained to Postmaster Kurtz. Presumption is that air line measurement will be used between places, judging from instruction, "mean radial distance." This will cut down distances which are greater by rail than by "crow flight." By railroad measurement Pittsburg is 57.8 miles from Connellsville, but air line measurement should bring it into the first "zone." Cumberland will find place in the second and Philadelphia should be in the third.

Under the present instructions to postmasters, all parcels must be taken to the postoffice, save on rural routes. City carriers are not authorized to accept packages for mailing, but rural carriers are instructed to lift them.

Postmaste Kurtz said that unless the rural carriers are provided with scales, they will have to guess at the weights of packages, and, if the charges are not enough, collections of amounts due will have to be on the next trip.

Auxiliary clerks will deliver the packages too cumbersome for the regular city carriers. As many auxiliary clerks as necessary to facilitate the handing of parcels post matter will be hired at 30 cents per hour. They will work only at hours when rushes require help.

The Postoffice Department set aside $300,000 from the yearly appropriation for parcels post vehicle hire in the fiscal year ending June 30, 1913, but divided that amount between 1,600 offices, the larger cities getting the bulk. Connellsville will be given only $50.

It is expected that the carriers will be able to take the packages by hand at the start of the parcels service, as a sudden jump in mail matter is not anticipated. Later, however, said Postmaster Kurtz, they may be compelled to use push-carts and, probably, finally horses and vehicles.

With the close of business on January 15, Postmaster Kurtz will make a report of the parcels post service through the Connellsville office. This with reports from all other offices will be gone over by the Postoffice Department with view of asking Congress for appropriations to assist the service.

The color of the parcels post stamps will be red. They will be one inch wide and one and one-half inches long. There will be 12 denominations, with the following engravings: 1 cent, postoffice clerk; 2 cent, city carrier; 3 cent, railway postal clerk; 4 cent, rural carrier; 5 cent, mail train; 10 cent, steamship and mail tender; 15 cent, automobile service; 20 cent, manufacturing scene; 50 cent, dairying scene; 75 cent, harvesting scene; $1, fruit growing scene.

In a paneled perpendicular column at each end of the stamp will appear the words, "U. S. Parcel Post." Triangular ornaments will occupy both upper corners. The denomination will be in large numerals in the lower corners. The word "cents" or "dollar" will be between.

Zone Rates For New Parcels Post Law, Effective January 1.

After January 1, 1913, fourth-class mail matter shall embrace all other matter, including farm and factory products, not now embraced by law in either first, second or third class, not exceeding eleven pounds in weight, nor greater in size than seventy-two inches in length and girth combined, nor in form or kind likely to injure the person of any postal employe or damage the mail equipment or other mail matter and not of a character perishable within a period reasonably required for transportation and delivery.

For the purpose of carrying thislaw into effect the United States is divided into zones with different rates of postage applicable to each, as follows:

Weight.	First zone. Local rate.	First zone. Zone rate 50 miles.	Second zone, 50 to 150 miles. Rate.	Third zone, 150 to 300 miles. Rate.	Fourth zone, 300 to 600 miles. Rate.	Fifth zone, 600 to 1,000 miles. Rate.	Sixth zone, 1,000 to 1,400 miles. Rate.	Seventh zone, 1,400 to 1,800 miles. Rate.	Eighth zone, all over 1,800 miles. Rate.
1 pound	$0.05	$0.05	$0.06	$0.07	$0.08	$0.09	$0.10	$0.11	$0.12
2 pounds	.06	.08	.10	.12	.14	.16	.19	.21	.24
3 pounds	.07	.11	.14	.17	.20	.23	.28	.31	.36
4 pounds	.08	.14	.18	.22	.26	.30	.37	.41	.48
5 pounds	.09	.17	.22	.27	.32	.37	.46	.51	.60
6 pounds	.10	.20	.26	.32	.38	.44	.55	.61	.72
7 pounds	.11	.23	.30	.37	.44	.51	.64	.71	.84
8 pounds	.12	.26	.34	.42	.50	.58	.73	.81	.96
9 pounds	.13	.29	.38	.47	.56	.65	.82	.91	1.08
10 pounds	.14	.32	.42	.52	.62	.72	.91	1.01	1.20
11 pounds	.15	.35	.46	.57	.68	.79	1.00	2.11	1.32

The local rate is applicable to parcels intended for delivery at the office of mailing or on rural route starting therefrom.

It will be observed that the rates of postage are largely reduced and that the limit of weight is increased from four to eleven pounds. Parcels will be delivered at all free delivery offices and to patrons residing on rural and star routes; they may be registered and may be accorded special delivery service on payment of the usual fees, and they may be insured against loss in an amount equivalent to their actual value, but not to exceed $25, upon payment of a fee of 5 cents. Distinctive stamps must be used on all parcels, but they may be mailed in quantities of not less than 2,000 identical pieces without stamps affixed, the postage being paid in money.

HAVE BUTTER AND EGGS SENT BY MAIL; U. S. TO HAUL THEM

Dinner May Be Late Because the Postman Was Delayed, But Postmaster Kurtz Expects to Have the System Operating Smoothly Here Soon.

Denies Dynamite Plot.

INDINAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 17.—J. G. Butler, formerly of Buffalo, first vice president of the Iron Workers Union, took the witness stand at the opening of the dynamite conspiracy today in his own behalf. Butler denied everything incriminating.

U. of C. Convocation.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 17.—A large class of graduates received degrees today at the 85th convocation of the University of Chicago. Dr. Edwin Eric Sparks president of Pennsylvania State College, was the orator.

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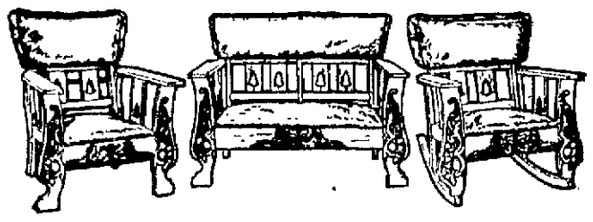

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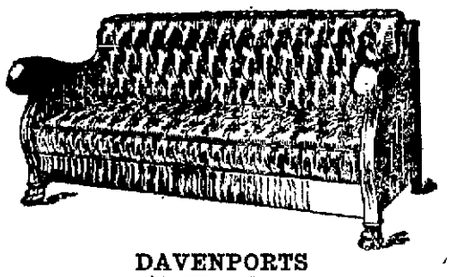

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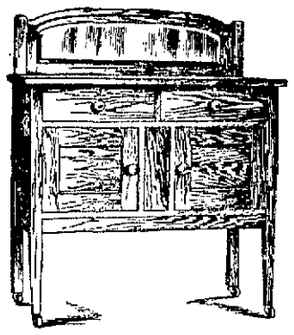

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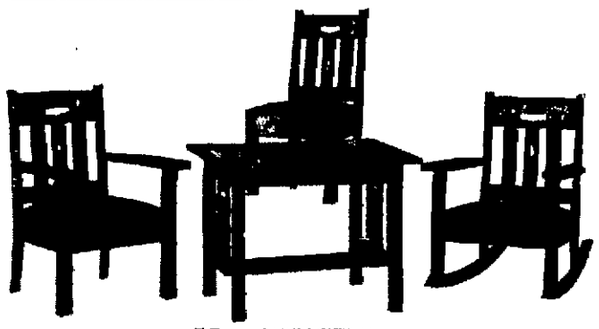

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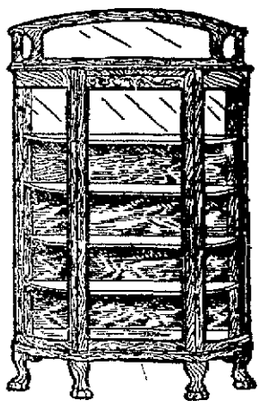

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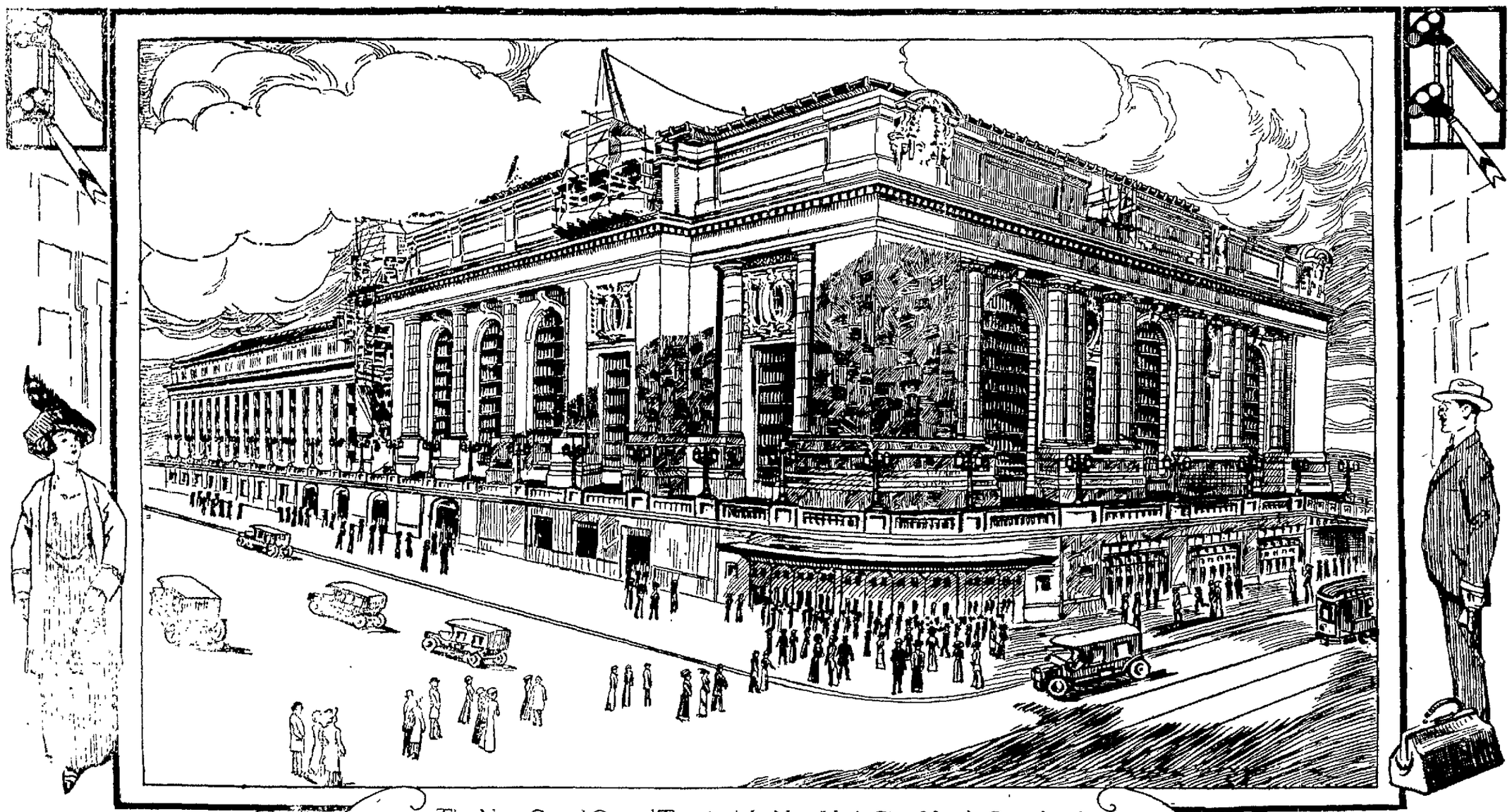


The New Grand Central Terminal, In New York City, Nearly Completed, Will Accommodate 100,000,000 Passengers a Year.

THE hurrying feet of a hundred millions have been helping the New York Central to decide the kind of pavement to use in the passageways of its superb new passenger terminal, which will be opened about Jan. 31. The suburban station, for the accommodation of the vast army of commuters, was opened last October. The suburban concourse is of the same dimensions as the main concourse, 300 by 120 feet—except as to height of ceiling. It is a station complete in all details, the same as the main concourse for through passengers. The public also has aided in determining the easiest slope for the ramps that lead from one level to another instead of stairways. The average eyesight of the innumerable throng has settled the size of the letters and their spacing in the signs at the entrances to the train platforms—the places where there is time for only a hasty glance. In these and in many other ways have the people themselves assisted in the making of the new Grand Central terminal the most marvelous city gate in all the world.

All Move in Straight Lines.

The great currents of traffic, that are at their height at night and at morning, are kept separate. They do not meet or mingle. Each flows smoothly in its proper direction. This is because, like the man running to catch his train, they go in a straight line. There are no corners to turn. The signs begin at the subway and at the exits from the train platforms. They start the crowd in the right direction, and all it has to do is to keep moving straight ahead, which is the most natural thing in the world. The passageway from the inbound station to the subway and the other one from the subway to the trains each is as straight as a ruler's edge.

All this sounds perfectly simple and easy of accomplishment. It might be if you were handling only a thousand people, but when it comes to a probable hundred million the problem becomes complicated. The same principle of the straight line—the shortest distance between two points—is applied to handling baggage as well. The outbound baggage goes straight through the subway at Forty-fifth street and the inbound through the other baggage subway at Forty-third street. It is the same way with the mails from the great branch postoffice. The streams never meet. There is no delay, no lost motion.

The Man in a Hurry.

Enter the new station by practically whatever door you will and your forward progress to your train is continuous. You need take no backward steps. You even shorten the distance by going to the ticket office. There are so many windows at which tickets will be sold that there will be no waiting. The man who is in haste to buy a ticket for a train that is about to start need not come in contact with the one who is standing at the window asking questions and planning his journey. There are plenty of places for each—the hurried and the leisurely.

Ticket in hand, a man rushes across the big concourse. He is going on the Twentieth Century Limited. He has no time to spare. From the two points on either side of the concourse where he may come in he has a complete view of the train gate line. He may sweep it from end to end at a glance. Over each gate is a triangular box that projects out from the wall. It shows the number of the track, the name of the train and the time it departs. The two visible sides of this "box" are placed at a certain angle. It took a long time—months of patient study and testing with thousands of eyes—to get these signs so that each should be always exactly at right angles with the line of vision of the hurried passenger seeking his train.

If the man is going to stop at some city east of Chicago or whatever is the ultimate destination of the train he is anxious to know if the train he has selected will halt there. Probably he has been in too much of a rush to inquire, or, in his haste, has forgotten. Once he has picked out the train from the sign over the gate he hurries toward it. When he is a hundred feet away he can read the list of stops on the station board.

Platforms Level With Car Floors.

The long station platforms are on the same level as the platforms and the floors of the cars. That is one of the most important things from the standpoint of safety and comfort. The necessity of the passenger going up and down the car steps is eliminated. It cuts in half the time of loading and unloading passengers. It has been found by experimenting that the ordinary suburban train takes eighty seconds to unload when the passengers have to descend the car steps. It takes forty seconds when they walk directly onto the station platform. In the old way the passenger had to climb down three and one-half feet, which later he had to ascend to get out into the street. There is an additional saving of seconds and of energy in the new way; also it is much safer. The risk of accident practically disappears. But such a thing, like everything else about a big station like this, no matter if it seems an unimportant detail, adds tremendously to the expense.

Millions For Temporary Work.

Literally millions of dollars have been spent all through this great terminal to make it better than anything ever known before and to eliminate so far as humanly possible every chance of accident. In the millions that have been expended for convenience and comfort should be included the "temporary work" of which no trace now remains. Yet it cost more than $2,000,000. This was the extra expense for carrying on the business without inconveniencing the passengers while the old station was being demolished—such things as temporary train sheds, trestles built in the yards for carrying trains over excavations, and things like that which would not have been necessary in the creation of a terminal on ground not in constant use.

A New and Marvelous Bumper.

The matter of bumpers at the ends of tracks would not seem worthy of much study, yet it is another of the items that has received years of consideration. The ordinary station bumper is simply two heavily braced uprights that will stop a train going at a moderate rate of speed. Such bumpers cost about $100 each to construct. Those which are being put in at the Grand Central terminal cost $5,000 each. There are forty of them. They are to insure a train against going into any of the columns or on to the concourse. They have to be exceptionally strong so as to take care of the extraordinarily heavy trains—ten to fifteen steel cars, each eighty-four feet long.

Never before has there been a bumper devised that will meet American conditions. The biggest ones in the world are in a station in Glasgow, Scotland. They have a capacity of resisting an impact of 500 tons moving at a speed of ten miles an hour. In the English trains the bumpers strike at the two lower corners of the car. In American trains the blow is received in the center of the car. Those being installed in the Grand Central terminal will have a capacity of 1,000 tons moving at ten miles an hour and will produce an absolute stop without accident to the train or to the structures behind the bumper. Such a shock is very rare, but when the emergency arises the bumper becomes very important. It took more than a year to design and build the first one, and that after eight years spent in studying and experimenting. It is only one of the many things designed to prevent problematic accidents which may never occur. They are essential for the maximum safety, but they add enormously to the cost of a big terminal.

Storing Electricity For Emergencies.

At frequent intervals throughout the station "yard"—the great network of tracks that spread fanwise in two levels south of Fiftieth street—there is a "battery house," in which is stored continually enough electricity to handle the business of its particular section at the "peak of the load" for from twenty minutes to half an hour independent of the dynamos and the other machinery in the big power and light plant. That means that if everything else should fail the storage batteries would keep the lights shining and the trains moving long enough to make repairs, and the general public probably would not know that anything was wrong. The business of the great terminal would continue without a hitch. The engineers say there has not been an interruption of the electric service for six years, but that they don't want any if it is humanly possible to prevent it.

Probably nowhere else in the world has so much important experimental research been carried on and so many vital problems solved for the public benefit as in the building of the Grand Central terminal.

Announcing Arrivals and Departures.

When an incoming train is about to arrive there is a great stir among the crowds of people awaiting it. They gather about the bulletin board and watch to see on which track it is coming in. The man at the board gets the news from the signal towers by means of the telautograph and chalks up the information. An improvement on this method has been devised and is being perfected so that it can be put in use later. The announcements of train arrivals will be made on a board that has illuminated or movable letters. These will be controlled from one of the towers in the yard. Instantly, as soon as the switches are set for an incoming train to end its journey on a certain track, the information will flash forth on the bulletin board. This will save a few seconds and there will be no possibility of error.

The announcing of outgoing trains will be done, as it has been for some time past in the temporary station, by magnaphones. At a central point a clear voiced man speaks into the instrument and his voice, magnified in volume, is reproduced simultaneously in every part of the waiting rooms from the trumpet-like horns that are placed inconspicuously against the walls. While the utility of this method depends, of course, on the clearness with which the announcer speaks, it is far ahead of the old way of calling the trains by a man walking about the station and making the announcements. The new way saves a good many minutes.

Paging Passengers.

Incidentally this system of sound waves transmitted from a central point will be used on even a larger scale than ever before for "paging" persons. It happens frequently that a business house suddenly finds it necessary to communicate with one of its representatives who has gone to the Grand Central to take a train for, say, Chicago. It is highly important that he be reached immediately to receive additional information or instructions. Perhaps a telegram has come in that renders his trip unnecessary. If it were not for this device this would be impossible. As it is, however, the firm calls up the information bureau. A moment later the mechanical announcers call out from one end of the station to the other, "Mr. Smith is wanted at the information bureau." "Mr. Smith" hears and heeds and hurries over. He is told to call up his office. He does so and the whole matter is arranged in no time.

In the temporary station many persons are now being paged. In the new station it is expected that the number will be much greater. This is simply one of the conveniences—the little details—whose sum total spells perfection.

"G. C. T."

It has taken several years to decide on the color of the uniforms that shall be worn by the employees in the new Grand Central terminal. The difficulty lay in getting a color of cloth that would look well and yet be conspicuous, yet not so striking as to subject its wearer to ridicule. Many kinds and shades were tried. Finally a bluish gray has been selected. The frock coat has a black collar and black lapels. On the lapels is the chief distinguishing mark, the letters "G. C. T." in gold thread in a medallion bordered in the same way. These initials, it has been found from many tests, meet the eye instantly. In future there can be no mistaking a hotel porter for a station employee if a man is not quite blind. The coats are made long so that in winter those employees who are exposed to the weather can wear a cardigan jacket underneath without spoiling the looks or the neatness of the uniform. The "red cap" porters will continue to wear their familiar headdress, but they will be put in neat uniforms.

Station Men Are Schooled.

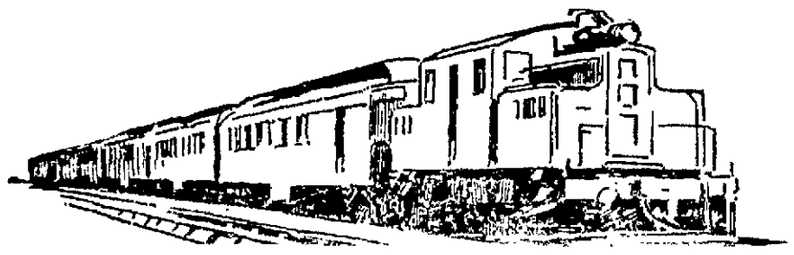
All the station men—the whole organization of the Grand Central terminal that comes in contact with the public—are being schooled and rehearsed in their duties every day, getting ready for the opening of the new station. Even the "red cap" men participate in the drills. New men are given a time table and a station schedule covering the tracks on which certain trains usually arrive. They study these things until they are able to answer instantly any question relating to the arrival and departure of regular trains. They are also instructed in their other duties, keeping the train platforms clear of trucks and making the passengers as comfortable as possible and so on. Incidentally they are required to know the city's streets and transit lines as thoroughly as an experienced policeman, so they can direct strangers quickly and accurately.

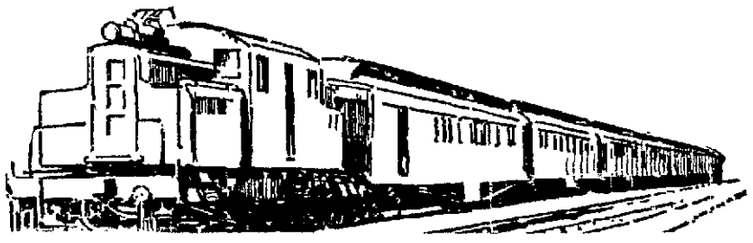
Direct Subway Connections.

The new station will have direct connection with the subways, so that the incoming or outgoing passenger need not go into the street at all. To get to the temporary terminal that the railroad has been using in the interval between the demolition of the old one and the finishing of the new they have had to traverse a covered way. In that portion of it leading from Forty-second street to the entrance of the temporary station and waiting rooms a number of different kinds of pavement were installed a little more than a year ago in order to ascertain which would be the best to use in the most traveled passageways of the new terminal. They were in sections the full width of the walk. This stretch of sidewalk is trodden by more persons than any other bit of sidewalk in the world. It is calculated that more than 100,000,000 persons have walked over these sample pavements since they were put in place. The public has tested them and thus has made easy for the experts the work of selection.

Unusual Features.

There are so many new and convenient things in the new terminal that the list of them seems almost endless. From the moment it is opened in January next it will be one of the great show places of New York and one of the things in the city most worth seeing. One of its unique conveniences will be a large number of dressing rooms. If a man comes to the city for a brief stay, he can hire one of these rooms, take a bath, change his clothes, check his bag and go his way. When he is ready to depart he will not need to lose any time in getting to his train. Also there will be the finest restaurant in this terminal that is to be found in any railroad station in the world. It will be moderate in its charges, but in its appointments and details it will equal any of the most famous restaurants in New York or the capitals of Europe.





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"Plain. Gosh! what pictures! Where do you get 'em? You must have a lot of coin." Sweetwater was staring at the row of photographs, mostly of a very high order, tacked along the wall separating the two rooms. They were unframed, but they were, mostly copies of great pictures, and the effect was rather imposing in contrast to the shabby furniture and the otherwise homely fittings.

"Yes, I've enough for that kind of thing," was his host's reply. But the tone was reserved, and Sweetwater did not presume again along this line. Instead he looked well at the books piled upon the shelves under these photographs, and wondered aloud at their number and at the man who could waste such a lot of time in reading them. But he made no more direct remarks.

Yet there was one cheerful moment. It was when he noticed the careless way in which those books were arranged upon their shelves. An idea had come to him. He bid his relief in his cup, as he drained the last drops of the coffee, which really tasted better than he expected.

When he returned from work that afternoon it was with an auger under his coat and a conviction which led him to empty out the contents of a small phial which he took down from a shelf. He had told Mr. Gryce that he was eager for the business because of its difficulties, but that was when he was feeling fine and up to any game which might come his way. Now he felt weak and easily discouraged. This would not do. He must regain his health at all hazards, so he poured out the mixture which had given him such a sickly air. This done and a rude supper eaten, he took up his auger. He had heard Mr. Brotherson's step go by. But next minute he laid it down again in great haste and flung a newspaper over it. Mr. Brotherson was coming back, had stopped at his door, had knocked and must be let in.

"You're better this evening," he heard in these kindly tones which so confused and irritated him.

"Yes," was the surly admission.

Then Mr Brotherson passed on, and Sweetwater listened till he was sure that his too attentive neighbor had really gone down the three flights between him and the street. Then he took up his auger again and shut himself up in his closet.

There was nothing peculiar about this closet. It was just an ordinary one with drawers and shelves on one side, and an open space on the other for the hanging up of clothes. Very few clothes hung there at present; but it was in this portion of the closet that he stopped and began to try the wall of Brotherson's room, with the butt end of the tool he carried.

The sound seemed to satisfy him, for very soon he was boring a hole at a point exactly level with his ear.

"Neat as well as useful" was the gay comment with which Sweetwater surveyed his work, then laid his ear to the hole. Whereas previously he could barely hear the rattling of coals from the coal scuttle, he was now able to catch the sound of an ash falling into the ash-pit.

His next move was to test the depth of the partition by inserting his finger in the hole he made. He found it stopped by some obstacle before it had reached half its breath, and anxious to satisfy himself of the nature of the obstacle, he gently moved the tip of his finger to and fro over what was certainly the edge of a book.

This proved that his calculations had been correct and that the opening so accessible on his side, was completely veiled on the other by the books he had seen packed on the shelves. He had even been careful to assure himself that all the volumes at this exact point stood far enough forward to afford room behind them for the chips and plaster he must necessarily push through with his auger, and also—important consideration—for the free passage of the sounds by which he hoped to profit.

But it was days before he could trust himself so far. Meanwhile their acquaintance ripened, though with no very satisfactory results. The detective found himself led into telling stories of his early home-life to keep pace with the man who always had something of moment and solid interest to impart. This was undesirable, for instead of calling out a corresponding confidence from Brotherson, it only seemed to make his conversation more coldly impersonal.

In consequence, Sweetwater suddenly found himself quite well and one evening when he was sure that his neighbor was at home, he slid softly into his closet and laid his ear to the opening he had made there. The result was unexpected. Mr Brotherson was pacing the floor, and talking softly to himself.

At first, the cadence and full music of the tones conveyed nothing to our far from literary detective. The victim of his secret machinations was expressing himself in words, words—that was the point which counted with him. But as he listened longer and gradually took in the sense of these words, his heart went down lower and lower till it reached his boots. His inscrutable and ever disappointing neighbor was not indulging in self-communings of any kind. He was reciting poetry, and what was worse, poetry which he only half remembered and was trying to recall—an incredible occupation for a man weighted with a criminal secret.

Sweetwater was disgusted, and was withdrawing in high indignation from his vantage-point when something occurred of a startling enough nature to hold him where he was in almost breathless expectation.

The hole which in the darkness of the closet was always faintly visible, even when the light was not very strong in the adjoining room, had suddenly become a bright and shining loop-hole, with a suggestion of movement in the space beyond. The book which had hid this hole on Brotherson's side had been taken down—the one book in all those hundreds whose removal threatened Sweetwater's schemes, if not himself.

For an instant the thwarted detective listened for the angry shout or the smothered oath which would naturally follow the discovery by Brotherson of this attempted interference with his privacy.

But all was still on his side of the wall. A rustling of leaves could be heard, as the inventor searched for the poem he wanted, but nothing more. In withdrawing the book, he had failed to notice the hole in the plaster back of it. But he could hardly fail to see it when he came to put the book back. Meantime, suspense for Sweetwater.

It was several minutes before he heard Mr. Brotherson's voice again, then it was in triumphant repetition of the lines which had escaped his memory. They were great words surely and Sweetwater never forgot them, but the impression which they made upon his mind, an impression so forcible that he was able to repeat them, months afterward to Mr. Gryce, did not prevent him from noting the tone in which they were uttered, nor the thud which followed as the book was thrown down upon the floor.

"Fool!" The word rang out in bitter irony from his irate neighbor's lips. "What does he know of woman! Woman! Let him court a rich one and see—but that's all over and done with. No more harping on that string, and no more reading of poetry. I'll never—" The rest was lost in his throat and was quite unintelligible to the anxious listener.

Self-revealing words, which an instant before would have aroused Sweetwater's deepest interest! But they had suddenly lost all force for the unhappy listener. The sight of that hole still shining brightly before his eyes had distracted his thoughts and roused his liveliest apprehensions. If that book should be allowed to lie where it had fallen, then he was in for a period of uncertainty he shrank from contemplating. Any moment his neighbor might look up and catch sight of this hole bored in the backing of the shelves before him. Could the man who had been guilty of submitting him to this outrage stand the strain of waiting indefinitely for the moment of discovery? He doubted it, if the suspense lasted too long.

Shifting his position, he placed his eye where his ear had been. He could see very little. The space before him, limited as it was to the width of the one volume withdrawn, precluded his seeing aught by what lay directly before him. Happily, it was in this narrow line of vision that Mr. Brotherson stood. He had resumed work upon his model and was so placed that while his face was not visible, his hands were, and as Sweetwater watched these hands and noticed the delicacy of their manipulation, he was enough of a workman to realize that work so fine called for an undivided

This Proved That His Calculations Had Been Correct.

attention. He need not fear the gaze shifting, while those hands moved as warily as they did now.

Relieved for the moment, he left his post and, sitting down on the edge of his cot, gave himself up to thought.

Suddenly he started upright. He would go meet his fate—be present in the room itself when the discovery was made which threatened to upset all his plans. He was not ashamed of his calling, and Brotherson would think twice before attacking him when once convinced that he had the department back of him.

"Excuse me, comrade," were the words with which he endeavored to account for his presence at Brotherson's door. "My lamp smells so, and I've made such a mess of my work today that I've just stepped in for a chat. If I'm not wanted, say so. I'd like a big room like this, and a lot of books, and—and pictures."

"Look at them, then. I like to see a man interested in books. Only, I thought if you knew how to handle wire, I would get you to hold this end while I work with the other."

"I guess I know enough for that," was Sweetwater's gay rejoinder. But when he felt that communicating wire in his hand and experienced for the first time the full influence of the other's eye, it took all his hardihood to hide the hypnotic thrill it gave him. He found himself gazing long and earnestly at this man's hand, and wondering if death lay under it. It was a strong hand, a deft, clean-cut member, formed to respond to the slightest hint from the powerful brain controlling it. But was this its whole story. Had he said all when he had said this?

Fascinated by the question, Sweetwater died a hundred deaths in his awakened fancy, as he followed the sharp, short instructions which fell with cool precision from the other's lips. A hundred deaths, I say, but with no betrayal of his folly. The anxiety he showed was that of one eager to please, which may explain why on the conclusion of his task, Mr. Brotherson gave him one of his infrequent smiles and remarked, as he buried the model under its cover, "You're handy and you're quiet at your job. Who knows but what I shall want you again. Will you come if I call you?"

"Won't I?" was the gay retort, as the detective, thus released, stooped for the book still lying on the floor. "Paolo and Francesca," he read, from the back, as he laid it on the table. "Poetry?" he queried.

"Rot," scornfully returned the other, as he moved to take down a bottle and some glasses from a cupboard let into another portion of the wall.

Sweetwater, taking advantage of the moment, sidled towards the shelf where that empty space still gaped with the tell-tale hole at the back. He could easily have replaced the missing book before Mr. Brotherson turned. But the issue was too doubtful. He was dealing with no absent-minded fool, and it behooved him to avoid above all things calling attention to the book or to the place on the shelf where it belonged.

But there was one thing he could do and did. Reaching out a finger as deft as Brotherson's own, he pushed a second volume into the place of the one that was gone. This veiled the auger-hole completely; a fact which so entirely relieved his mind that his old smile came back like sunshine to his lips, and it was only by a distinct effort that he kept the dancing humor from his eyes as he prepared to refuse the glass which Brotherson now brought forward:

"None of that!" said he. "You mustn't tempt me. The doctor has shut down on all kinds of spirits for two months more, at least. But don't let me hinder you. I can bear to smell the stuff. My turn will come again some day."

But Brotherson did not drink. Setting down the glass he carried, he took up the book lying near, weighed it in his hand and laid it down again, with an air of thoughtful inquiry. Then he suddenly pushed it towards Sweetwater. "Do you want it?" he asked.

Sweetwater was too taken aback to answer immediately. This was a move he did not understand. Want it, he? What he wanted was to see it put back in its place on the shelf. Did Brotherson suspect this? The supposition was incredible; yet who could read a mind so mysterious?

Sweetwater, debating the subject, decided that the risk of adding to any such possible suspicion was less to be dreaded than the continued threat offered by that unoccupied space so near the hole which testified so unmistakably of the means he had taken to spy upon this suspected man's privacy. So, after a moment of awkward silence, not out of keeping with the character he had assumed, he calmly refused the present as he had the glass.

Unhappily he was not rewarded by seeing the despised volume restored to its shelf. It still lay where its owner had pushed it, when, with some awkwardly muttered thanks, the discomfited detective withdrew to his own room.

CHAPTER XVIII.

What Am I to Do Now?

Early morning saw Sweetwater peering into the depths of his closet. The hole was hardly visible. This meant that the book he had pushed across it from the other side had not been removed.

Mr. Brotherson's bed was in a remote corner from the loop-hole made by Sweetwater; but in the stillness now pervading the whole building, the latter could hear his even breathing very distinctly. He was in a deep sleep.

The young detective's moment had come.

Taking from his breast a small box, he placed it on a shelf close against the partition. An instant of quiet listening, then he touched a spring in the side of the box and laid his ear, in haste, to his loop-hole.

A strain of well-known music broke softly from the box and sent its vibrations through the wall.

It was answered instantly by a stir within; then, as the noble air continued, awakening memories of that fatal instant when it crashed through the corridors of the Hotel Clermont, drowning Miss Challoner's cry if not the sound of her fall, a word burst from the sleeping man's lips which carried its own message to the listening detective.

It was Edith! Miss Challoner's first name and the tone bespoke a shaken soul.

Sweetwater, gasping with excitement, caught the box from the shelf and silenced it. It had done its work and it was no part of Sweetwater's plan to have this strain located, or even to be thought real. But its echo still lingered in Brotherson's otherwise unconscious ears; for another "Edith!" escaped his lips, followed by a smothered but forceful utterance of those words, "You know I promised you—"

Promised her what? He did not say. Would he have done so had the music lasted a trifle longer? Would he yet complete his sentence? Sweetwater trembled with eagerness and listened breathlessly for the next sound Brotherson was awake. He was tossing in his bed. Now he has leaped to the floor. Sweetwater hears him groan; then comes another silence, broken at last by the sound of his body falling back upon the bed and the troubled ejaculation of "Good God!" wrung from lips no torture could have forced into complaint under any daytime conditions.

Sweetwater continued to listen, but he had heard all, and after some few minutes longer of fruitless waiting, he withdrew from his post. The episode was over. He would hear no more that night.

Was he satisfied? Sweetwater imagined the scene—saw the figure of Brotherson hesitating at the top of the stairs—saw here advancing from the writing-room, with startled and uplifted hand—heard the music—the crash of that great finale—and decided, without hesitation, that the words he had just heard were indeed the thoughts of that moment. "Edith, you know I promised you—" What had he promised? What she received was death! Had this been in his mind? Would this have been the termination of the sentence had he wakened less soon to consciousness and caution?

Sweetwater dared to believe it.

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